- 1 (On the record)
- 2 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: So we are going to go
- 3 on the record. First, we're at day 20 of Amazon.com
- 4 Services, LLC, case 29 RC 288020. The first thing I want
- 5 to do is admit Board Exhibit 3, which has been uploaded
- 6 to SharePoint.
- 7 (Board Exhibit 3 received)
- 8 It is the Board order dated July 11, 2022.
- 9 Next, I will ask the Employer, are you ready to call
- 10 your next witness?
- MR. LARKIN: Yes, we're ready to call Mr.
- 12 Connor Spence.
- 13 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. And I'm told in
- 14 off the record discussion that there may be some
- 15 testimony implicated, relevant or pertaining to
- 16 Objections for which I have requested offers of proof.
- 17 Would you like to proceed with that at this time.
- 18 MR. LARKIN: I would prefer to do it out of
- 19 the earshot of the witness, though.
- 20 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. So if we could
- 21 have Mr. Spence go to a location other than with Ms.
- 22 Mirer or in the witness room where he can hear, I would
- 23 appreciate it. And Ms. Mirer, if you can confirm that
- 24 that has been done and Mr. Larkin can get started.
- 25 MR. MILNER: That has been done. He has left

- 1 my office.
- 2 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Perfect. Thank you
- 3 very much.
- 4 MS. MIRER: He's Going. Into it, he's
- 5 heading to the witness room, but not turning on the
- 6 computer.
- 7 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay, perfect. Mr.
- 8 Larkin?
- 9 MR. MILNER: He's in another room now.
- 10 MR. LARKIN: Yes. Okay. So I'll begin, I
- 11 guess, with the Objections on which you have asked for
- 12 offers of proof on the grounds that the presentation may
- 13 be cumulative at this point. So with respect to
- 14 Objection 6 through 8, the Union produced documentation
- 15 regarding the identity of the ALU's observers. So I
- 16 would question Mr. Spence about that. I would also
- 17 question him about some communications from the Union
- 18 regarding voting times and when employees could vote.
- 19 There's been testimony about that issue in the case. So
- 20 I'd ask him some questions about that. So that's 6 to 8.
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. That's
- 22 permitted.
- MR. LARKIN: Okay. Objection 15, I would ask
- 24 him some questions about his own participation in the
- 25 removal of Amazon campaign materials. And then I would

- 1 ask him to authenticate some communications relating to
- 2 the small group meeting testimony that we've heard to
- 3 this point, including, I think, a couple of new things
- 4 that we have not introduced with other witnesses to this
- 5 point.
- 6 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. That's also
- 7 permitted.
- 8 MR. LARKIN: Okay. Objection 16, there are
- 9 some social media postings and communications from the
- 10 ALU that I'd like him to authenticate. Some of which we
- 11 have discussed with other witnesses, have not introduced
- 12 into evidence with other witnesses because they couldn't
- 13 authenticate certain aspects of some of the
- 14 communications. And so, I wanted to do that with Mr.
- 15 Spence since he's represented as sort of the ALU's
- 16 custodian of records for purposes of this case. And so
- 17 I'd ask him to authenticate certain communications on
- 18 that basis.
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. I'll give you
- 20 leeway to do that. And of course, the parties are free
- 21 to make the objections that they make. If the exhibits
- 22 have been offered previously. Are any of them rejected
- 23 already?
- 24 MR. LARKIN: I don't believe that there are
- 25 any rejected exhibits.

- 1 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: So I would request
- 2 that if you are going to offer any rejected exhibits,
- 3 please tell me that off the bat.
- 4 MR. LARKIN: I'm just looking through my
- 5 list right now just to.
- 6 MR. MILNER: Mr. Larkin, I did not get that
- 7 in e-mail this morning with exhibits and the usual daily
- 8 e-mail.
- 9 MR. LARKIN: Oh, that should be up or going
- 10 up as we speak. So can you take another look? And if
- 11 it's not there, we can wait to begin until that, but it
- 12 should be up.
- MR. MILNER: Let me see. I don't have an
- 14 e-mail, but I'll try yesterday's link and see if that
- 15 works.
- 16 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That works, Mr.
- 17 Milner.
- 18 MR. MILNER: Okay. All right, yeah,
- 19 yesterday's link seems to get me to today's exhibits,
- 20 but the folder's empty.
- 21 MR. LARKIN: Okay. So with respect to 16,
- 22 I'm not certain whether we tried to offer Employer 368
- 23 before, so I called that one out as one that I was going
- 24 to ask him about. I don't have a listing that we either
- 25 did or didn't offer it yet, but for some reason, I sort

- of have it in my mind that maybe it came up.
- 2 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay,.
- 3 MR. LARKIN: So just sort of noting that as
- 4 one that I was going to ask him about.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. That's
- 6 fine.
- 7 MR. LARKIN: Okay. So then with respect to
- 8 Objections where -- so I guess those are the cumulative
- 9 ones. With respect to the remainder on Objection 20, Mr.
- 10 Spence produced some videos of the light projections
- 11 that I gather are his. So I would ask him about those,
- 12 and then I would ask him, again, to authenticate some
- 13 ALU social media related to that event.
- 14 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. That should be
- 15 fine, but just as a caveat, let's not go into the method
- 16 of how the projection is done. Let's focus on the first
- 17 hand observation of Mr. Spence.
- 18 MR. LARKIN: Okay. Let's see. With respect
- 19 to Objection 17, I would ask him about some text
- 20 messages that we contend the Union sent to eligible
- 21 voters, and the text messages asked voters how they
- 22 intend to vote. So we believe that they are sort of
- 23 supportive of the allegations in 17, so I would ask him
- 24 to authenticate those, and I may ask some related
- 25 questions about who wrote -- who created them, and the

- 1 extent of the distribution of those messages to the
- 2 bargaining unit.
- 3 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay.
- 4 MR. LARKIN: All right. Let's see. On
- 5 Objection 18, the Union issued some communications, some
- 6 campaign communications, flyers and things that Mr.
- 7 Spence -- some of which he produced, I think some of
- 8 which we may already have had, and so I would ask him to
- 9 authenticate those.
- 10 MR. MILNER: Mr. Larkin, I don't want to
- 11 interrupt you, but that folder for today is still empty
- 12 there's no exhibits in it.
- 13 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: In Egnyte?
- MR. MILNER: Right.
- MR. LARKIN: Okay. I'm almost done with my
- 16 offers of proof.
- MR. MILNER: I didn't know if you had someone
- 18 else working on it. I just didn't want you to --
- 19 MR. LARKIN: Should be. I'm checking now.
- 20 Yeah, it should be going up.
- MR. MILNER: Okay.
- 22 MR. LARKIN: Okay. So yeah, I was on 18. So
- 23 I would ask Mr. Spence about some flyers that were
- 24 produced. I relate to the allegations in Objection 18.
- 25 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay.

- 1 MR. LARKIN: With respect to Objections 3 to
- 2 5, I have questions for Mr. Spence regarding any
- 3 conversations that he had between and among himself and
- 4 the other officers of the ALU regarding the ALU's
- 5 petition and card submission, any efforts the Union made
- 6 to continue to submit authorization cards after December
- 7 22nd of 2021. Conversations that the officers of the
- 8 Union may have had regarding the level of interest that
- 9 they believe that they had, and also some
- 10 communications, external communications, by the Union
- 11 regarding that subject -- those subjects.
- 12 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: So I am not going to
- 13 permit that line of questioning with respect to
- 14 Objections 3 through 5, as the showing of interest is a
- 15 purely administrative manner, not subject to Board
- 16 litigation. If you have particular exhibits that you
- 17 would like to show, I'm willing to look at them and
- 18 allow the parties to weigh in at this time.
- 19 MR. LARKIN: Sure. Well, before I do, have
- 20 the documents loaded?
- 21 MR. MILNER: Let me take a look.
- MS. FRIEDHEIM-WEIS: They just did.
- MR. LARKIN: They should be.
- MR. MILNER: Yes. They're here now.
- 25 MR. LARKIN: Okay. So I think the first one

- 1 that we would offer is 176. So Molly, can we bring that
- 2 one up? So 176 is a newsletter submitted by the Union --
- 3 or it's the ALU newsletter. This one was published on
- 4 January 26th -- I'm sorry, January 25, 2022. It's the
- 5 day before the Region 29 indicated to the parties that
- 6 the Union's petition was supported by a sufficient
- 7 showing of interest. On page -- I think -- not this
- 8 page, but the next one, maybe? Or the one after. The one
- 9 after. Page 3. Sorry. Page 4. Keep going. Yeah, right
- 10 there. And it's a little bit obscured. I'm not sure why
- 11 it printed that way, but it's the paragraph of text that
- 12 says, "although nearly 2000 Amazon workers are on leave
- 13 in Staten Island due to the pandemic, we also continue
- 14 to set up in front of JFK8 and gather signatures from
- 15 the workers every day as the election hearing deadline
- 16 approaches." And we would offer that as an admission
- 17 from the Union regarding their card collecting efforts
- 18 and that that supports Objection 4.
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner?
- MR. MILNER: Your Honor, this exhibit is
- 21 completely irrelevant. Whether or not they collected
- 22 signatures after they submitted the petition is
- 23 irrelevant to whether or not the showing of interest
- 24 determination was sufficient. It is purely an
- 25 administrative manner and it is non-litigable under any

- 1 circumstances. I should also point out, just because the
- 2 table was set up in front of JFK8, as Amazon well knows,
- 3 there was other organizing drives going on in the other
- 4 buildings at the same facility. So it's not even
- 5 necessarily just JFK8 that cards were being signed for.
- 6 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- 7 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: I echo what Mr. Milner
- 8 said. And as I've said several times before, and Madam
- 9 Hearing Officer has ruled several times before, the
- 10 showing of interest is purely administrative, controlled
- 11 by the Region, not by who's soliciting for whatever
- 12 signatures they may be soliciting for. The words
- 13 themselves that Mr. Larkin refers to, as Mr. Milner
- 14 pointed out, are vague. We have no idea what signatures
- 15 are being discussed in this article, but most
- 16 importantly, the showing of interest is determined by
- 17 the Region, not by anyone else, and it's not litigable.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I find employers 176
- 19 to be irrelevant on the grounds that the showing of
- 20 interest is a purely administrative matter, not subject
- 21 to any litigation. Also, I find that many pages of this
- 22 document are difficult to read and are not even
- 23 applicable to this particular petition at JFK8. And
- therefore, I reject Employer 176.
- 25 MR. LARKIN: Ask that 176 be placed in the

- 1 rejected Exhibits file.
- 2 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That's granted.
- 3 (Employer's Exhibit 176 received in rejected exhibits
- 4 file)
- 5 MR. LARKIN: All right. We can take that
- off. And then Exhibit 2919. 2919 is a communication by
- 7 the ALU that was disseminated among the bargaining unit
- 8 after the NLRB indicated -- or specifically Region 9 of
- 9 the NLRB indicated on January 26 of 2022 that the
- 10 petition would be allowed to proceed. As we indicated in
- 11 our Objections, the handling of the petition by the
- 12 region lent an air of legitimacy to the ALU and its
- 13 campaign that, had the Region process the petition in
- 14 accordance with its rules, wouldn't have happened. So I
- 15 would question Mr. Spence about this document and offer
- 16 it in support of Objection 3 and 4.
- 17 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, just to
- 18 clarify the record, you said Region 9, I think you meant
- 19 Region 29.
- 20 MR. LARKIN: Yes, I did. Thank you.
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: No problem. Mr.
- 22 Milner?
- MR. MILNER: Frankly, your Honor, even if
- 24 what Mr. Larkin said was true, which we deny, I'm not
- 25 sure how this pamphlet or flyer would go towards proving

- 1 that in any way, shape, or form. This is -- simply just
- 2 seems to be a statement of fact and nothing more. It is
- 3 wholly irrelevant, and it relates to a non-litigable
- 4 matter and should also be excluded on that basis.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis?
- 6 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: Showing of interest is
- 7 a purely administrative matter, and it's not litigable.
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. So I'm going
- 9 to grant both Mr. Milner and Ms. Weis standing
- 10 objections on the basis of showing of interest is non
- 11 litigable, purely administrative matter, and objecting
- 12 to any documents on that basis as irrelevant. With
- 13 respect to 2919, I make the same ruling that 2919 is
- 14 irrelevant to Objections 3 and 4, on the same basis that
- 15 showing of interest is non-litigable.
- 16 MR. LARKIN: Okay. We would ask that 2919 be
- 17 placed in the rejected exhibits file.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That's granted.
- 19 (Employer's Exhibit 2919 received in rejected exhibits
- 20 file)
- 21 MR. LARKIN: And I believe that is
- 22 everything in terms of proffer.
- 23 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. Fantastic. Ms.
- 24 Mirer, if the witness is ready to go into the witness
- 25 room. That would be great.

- 1 MS. MIRER: I'll tell him.
- 2 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Thank you.
- 3 MR. MILNER: Mr. Spence is just in the
- 4 restroom. I just need a couple minutes.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: No problem. Let's
- 6 briefly go off the record.
- 7 (Off the record)
- 8 (On the record).
- 9 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Let's go back on the
- 10 record, Mr. Larkin. Go ahead.
- MR. LARKIN: Yeah. I'm sorry. Just before I
- do, I just point out I noticed there's someone in the
- 13 chat with the name of D Smalls. I just wanted to
- 14 identify who that was.
- 15 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. Let's do that
- 16 briefly, off the record.
- 17 (Off the record)
- 18 (On the record)
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. Go ahead,
- 20 Mr. Larkin, and let's restart with your proffer.
- 21 MR. LARKIN: Yes. So I had one other proffer
- 22 to make On Objection 21. I would ask Mr. Spence in his
- 23 capacity as the ALU's custodian of records about filings
- 24 made by the ALU with the Department of Labor during the
- 25 critical period.

- 1 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. And I would
- 2 also reject that testimony on the basis that LMRDA is
- 3 not properly before the Board and is not something that
- 4 I'm going to receive evidence for purposes of this
- 5 hearing.
- 6 MR. LARKIN: On that basis, I would proffer
- 7 that the ALU did not make any filings with the US
- 8 Department of Labor during the critical period. We would
- 9 offer 726. Molly, do you have that? 726 is the Amazon
- 10 Labor Union's Form LM1 filed with the Department of
- 11 Labor, signed by Mr. Spence as the Secretary Treasurer
- 12 of the Union, and it was submitted to the Department of
- 13 Labor after the critical period. Again, our contention
- 14 and Objection 21, not so much that the ALU violated the
- 15 LMRDA, so much as it is that the ALU's failure to file
- 16 forms required of a labor organization under the LMRDA
- 17 deprived employees of access to information about the
- 18 Union's operations, finances, and dues structure during
- 19 the critical period.
- 20 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner.
- 21 MR. MILNER: Hearing Officer Dunn, as we've
- 22 argued on multiple occasions, the NLRB is not the
- 23 appropriate forum to litigate issues related to the
- 24 LMRDA. And Amazon's attempt to cast this as anything
- 25 else is just a backwards way of trying to get the same

- 1 evidence into the record. Whether or not they filed the
- 2 LMRDA is simply not relevant to an objections
- 3 proceeding.
- 4 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Milner -- I'm
- 5 sorry, Ms. Weis?
- 6 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: The Rd rep takes no
- 7 position regarding the filing of an LM1.
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. So I find
- 9 Employer 726 to be irrelevant. As I've stated already,
- 10 that the NLRB is not the appropriate forum for any
- 11 issues pertaining to the LMRDA.
- 12 MR. MILNER: Your Honor, I just want to put
- 13 on the record Angelika Maldonado, I believe, is now
- 14 logged in as our alternate observer.
- 15 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Thank you.
- 16 MR. LARKIN: So I'd request that Exhibit 726
- 17 be placed in the rejected exhibits file.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That's granted.
- 19 (Employer's Exhibit 726 received in rejected exhibits
- 20 file)
- 21 MR. LARKIN: All right. Let me see.
- 22 MR. MILNER: Also, it's too late now, but I
- 23 just realized at the last second there was phone numbers
- 24 listed on that LM form. So just -- to do that, Can we be
- 25 careful? We're going to post those publicly.

- 1 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. Mr. Larkin, to
- 2 the extent that there are telephone numbers even for the
- 3 rejected exhibit file, please redact any addresses,
- 4 telephone numbers, identifiable information on any
- 5 exhibits that you're going to put into the record,
- 6 including the rejected exhibits file.
- 7 MR. LARKIN: All right.
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Thank you.
- 9 MR. LARKIN: Just making a note. I would
- 10 just then offer 727 as well. Do you have it, Molly? It's
- an updated version of the ALU's constitution and bylaws.
- 12 The original version, which is Exhibit 298, is already
- 13 admitted in the record. This version of the constitution
- 14 and bylaws, I believe, was attached to the Union's. LM
- one filing Employers Exhibit 726, so we would offer it
- 16 as an attachment to 726.
- 17 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Do you know, Mr.
- 18 Larkin -- you said it was attached to the 726. As I read
- 19 the last exhibit, 726, I believe it was dated of June in
- 20 '22. Do you know what period this constitution and
- 21 bylaws was in effect At 727.
- 22 MR. LARKIN: Well, I do not. I was going to
- 23 question Mr. Spence about when 727 came into effect.
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: And is it different?
- 25 I forget the exhibit number, Mr. Larkin. Of the

- 1 constitution and by law, that's already in. Is it
- 2 somehow different or does it appear to be identical? Do
- 3 you know Mr. Larkin?
- 4 MR. LARKIN: There are some differences
- 5 between the two. There were some changes made. Renaming
- 6 of certain things, removal of certain rules, addition of
- 7 certain rules.
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. Mr. Milner?
- 9 MR. MILNER: Well, I mean, he should
- 10 probably question the witness about it before he offers
- 11 it, and then I'll reserve my objections for that time.
- 12 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay.
- 13 MR. MILNER: But I don't think it's going to
- 14 be relevant. But we'll wait to hear what the witness
- 15 says.
- 16 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That's my inclination
- 17 as well, Ms. Weis.
- 18 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: I have no problem with
- 19 that because I have no idea what the date is. If it's
- 20 beyond the critical period, I would object because it's
- 21 beyond the date of the critical period, but without
- 22 knowing what the witness is going to say, it's hard to
- 23 tell.
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. You're
- 25 permitted to question the witness on this, Mr. Larkin.

- 1 MR. LARKIN: Okay. We can take that down.
- 2 So I think that is now everything.
- 3 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. And it's okay
- 4 if it's not. If something comes up and you realize that
- 5 at the time, I've been in your shoes, so I'll give you
- 6 some leeway because I recognize that that's not an easy
- 7 position to be in. So we can bring the witness back
- 8 in -- Oh, Ms. Weis?
- 9 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: Before we make Mr.
- 10 Spence come in, can we just take two minutes for a
- 11 restroom break before we get rolling?
- 12 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Sure. Off the record.
- 13 Two minutes.
- 14 (Off the record)
- 15 (On the record).
- 16 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Let's go back on the
- 17 record. Mr. Larkin, just so we make sure we have it on
- 18 the record, could the Employer indicate who it intends
- 19 to cause its next witness.
- 20 MR. LARKIN: Yes. We will call Connor
- 21 Spence.
- 22 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Great. Hello, Mr.
- 23 Spence.
- MR. SPENCE: Morning.
- 25 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: You already know that

- 1 I am the Hearing Officer in this matter. Would you
- 2 please raise your right hand for me?
- 3 (CONNOR SPENCE, after first being duly
- 4 sworn, was examined and testified as follows...)
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. Go ahead
- 6 and put your hand down. And do you have any materials
- 7 with you? Such as any documents or cell phone, anything
- 8 like that?
- 9 THE WITNESS: No.
- 10 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. And is anyone
- 11 present with you in that room?
- 12 THE WITNESS: No.
- 13 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. And I will
- 14 turn it over to Mr. Larkin. Go ahead.
- 15 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. LARKIN: ^ questioning begins
- 16 Q. Thank you. Good morning, Mr. Spence.
- 17 A. Good morning.
- 18 Q. Mr. Spence, who is your Employer?
- 19 A. Amazon.
- Q. And where in Amazon do you work at?
- 21 A. JFK8 in Staten Island.
- 22 Q. Okay. And how long have you been employed there?
- 23 A. Since May of 2021, and I've been employed at
- 24 other Amazon warehouses in the past.
- 25 Q. Okay. When did you start your employment with

- 1 Amazon?
- 2 A. In, I believe, August of 2017.
- 3 Q. Okay. And where did you start? What facility did
- 4 you begin working at Amazon?
- 5 A. A building called EWR4 in Robinsville, New
- 6 Jersey.
- 7 Q. How long were you there?
- 8 A. Between 2017 and the end of 2019 is when I left.
- 9 Q. Okay. And then when you left EWR4 at the end of
- 10 2019, where did you go?
- 11 A. I had a different job.
- 12 Q. I see. So you left Amazon altogether?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- Q. And at some point, did you return to employment
- 15 with Amazon?
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. Was that in May of '21?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Got it. And have you worked at JFK8 continuously
- 20 since May of '21?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And what is your position at JFK8?
- 23 A. I'm a tier one associate.
- Q. And what's your work shift?
- A. Sunday to Wednesday, 7:15 am. To 5:45 p.m.

- 1 Sometimes called front half.
- Q. Okay. So you're front half days?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. All right. And have you held that shift the
- 5 entire time you've been at JFK8?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. All right. So Mr. Spence, we're going to be
- 8 obviously talking today about the ALU election, the
- 9 petition filed in the case. And I know you've been
- 10 present for a lot of this, but just to, sort of,
- 11 establish kind of the same definitions and ground rules,
- 12 et cetera, as we talk today, if I refer to the ALU or
- 13 the Union, when I say that, I mean the Amazon Labor
- 14 Union, okay? And I might ask you questions about time
- 15 periods that things happened. And as with some of our
- 16 prior witnesses when I used the word -- the term
- 17 campaign period, what I mean is from the day the Union
- 18 filed a petition on December 22nd of 2021 until the last
- 19 day of the election, March 30th of 2022. All right?
- 20 A. Okay.
- 21 Q. And I may ask you about things that pertain to a
- 22 different time period, but if I do, I will be clear
- 23 about that in the question. And if I'm not, please let
- 24 me know. As you've seen as we've gone through this,
- 25 sometimes I need to ask better questions. So Mr. Spence,

- 1 during the campaign period, what, if any, position did
- 2 you hold with the Amazon Labor Union?
- 3 A. During the critical period I was the vice
- 4 president of membership.
- 5 Q. Okay. And also, just again, so the record is
- 6 clear when you say the critical period or if I say the
- 7 critical period --
- 8 A. I mean December 22nd to March 30th.
- 9 Q. Okay. So we can use critical period and campaign
- 10 period interchangeably, and we'll know what we're
- 11 talking about.
- 12 A. Yeah. Sorry about that.
- Q. That's fine. Okay. So you were the vice
- 14 president of membership during the critical period. Did
- 15 you hold that position for the entire critical period?
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. All right. And what were your responsibilities in
- 18 that position?
- 19 A. So the way we've outlined that role in our
- 20 constitution, our Union makes a distinction between
- 21 internal organizing and external organizing. Internal
- 22 organizing is organizing the membership that already
- 23 exists within the Union, and external organizing is
- 24 organizing the unorganized people out there in the
- 25 world. However, at that point, because JFK8 was our

- 1 first campaign, it was essentially a role that was
- 2 overseeing all of our organizing activities, for the
- 3 most part, which is a role that I shared with other
- 4 officers in the Union.
- 5 Q. Okay. And when did you assume that position?
- 6 A. In October of 2021.
- 7 Q. And do you continue to serve in that position?
- 8 A. No. We've since changed some of our leadership
- 9 roles. I currently serve as the secretary treasurer.
- 10 Q. When did you stop serving as vice president of
- 11 membership?
- 12 A. It was after the campaign period.
- Q. Of course you've been serving also as the ALU's
- 14 party representative during this case, is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. All right. Before I, sort of, get into asking you
- 17 about documents and things -- and you've seen how we've
- done that, so we'll do it the same way. I'll put a
- 19 document on the screen. I'll ask you to look at it and
- 20 see if you recognize it, and if you do, we might talk
- 21 about it. But before I do that, Mr. Spence, did you
- 22 receive a subpoena to produce documents in this case?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And you did, pursuant to that subpoena, provide
- 25 some documents, is that right?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And can you tell us what you did to search for
- 3 responsive documents?
- 4 A. So depending on the request, if it was something
- 5 like our constitution and bylaws if I had that, I
- 6 provided it. If it was asking me to search for things
- 7 like documents or communications, I looked on my
- 8 devices, and I used the search function on each of my
- 9 devices to look for keywords related to whatever was in
- 10 the subpoena.
- 11 Q. And do you know when you began your search for
- 12 responsive documents?
- 13 A. Over the course of the last few weeks.
- Q. Did you talk to anyone else about what to search
- 15 for or what you were searching for?
- 16 MR. MILNER: Objection to anything that goes
- 17 to privilege.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. Mr. Spence,
- 19 please don't reveal any legal advice given by the ALU
- 20 attorneys to you.
- 21 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 22 Q. Yeah. Actually, let me back up and outline that
- 23 so we don't go there. Mr. Spence, are you represented by
- 24 any of the ALU's attorneys for purposes of this hearing?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And which ones?
- 2 A. Jeanne Mirer, Eric Milner, Retu Singla.
- 3 Q. Okay.
- 4 A. And Seth Goldstein. I don't know if he's on the
- 5 call as well.
- 6 Q. Okay. Now, do they represent you in your
- 7 individual capacity or in your capacity as an ALU
- 8 officer?
- 9 A. My capacity as an officer.
- 10 Q. Now, in searching for documents to produce in
- 11 response to the subpoena, did you talk with anybody
- 12 besides your lawyers?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Now, we've been, sort of, talking about a
- 15 subpoena that was directed to you individually, but
- 16 you're also aware that there is a subpoena directed to
- 17 the Amazon Labor Union's custodian of records, correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And that is you?
- 20 A. For the most part. A lot of the requests on the
- 21 custodian of records subpoena was covered by a lot of
- 22 the other subpoenas that were sent out. So I just gave
- 23 what I had from that subpoena.
- Q. Is there anybody besides you who would be in
- 25 possession of records that you would consider records of

- 1 the Amazon Labor Union?
- 2 A. No. Like I said, if there was something on the
- 3 custodian records subpoena that I didn't have, it's
- 4 likely on someone else's subpoena.
- 5 Q. Does the ALU have -- trying to word this
- 6 correctly -- but any sort of organizational
- 7 communication channels. So for instance, if you have an
- 8 e-mail address as an employee of Amazon or any company
- 9 that is not your personal e-mail address, but it's your
- 10 work e-mail address, does the ALU have any sort of
- 11 communication or e-mail communication system like that?
- 12 MR. MILNER: I object. I don't know what the
- 13 relevance is whether or not the Amazon Labor Union has
- 14 e-mailed.
- 15 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, where are
- 16 we going?
- 17 MR. LARKIN: Well, it goes to subpoena and
- 18 the efforts made to comply.
- 19 MR. MILNER: Well, I mean, you can ask him
- 20 if he searched e-mail. I don't know why it's relevant,
- 21 what e-mail he may or may not have.
- 22 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin are you
- 23 asking if he has ALU e-mail? Is that what you're asking?
- MR. LARKIN: Yeah.
- 25 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Spence.

- 1 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. So was your answer to my question, yes?
- 4 A. It was the answer to the question, do I have an
- 5 ALU e-mail, yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. And is that something that you searched
- 7 for communications relevant to the subpoena?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And you found none?
- 10 A. I didn't find anything that wasn't protected by
- 11 Section 7.
- 12 Q. What does that mean?
- 13 A. Essentially communications with coworkers that
- 14 would have revealed their Union sentiment, organizing
- 15 activities. There was nothing there that was responsive
- 16 to the request in the subpoena.
- 17 Q. Just to make sure I understand, so are you saying
- 18 that there were communications that were otherwise
- 19 responsive but that reflected Section 7 activity, or
- 20 that there were communications that reflected Section 7
- 21 activity but were not otherwise responsive?
- MR. MILNER: Well, I'm going to object to
- 23 that question because it doesn't make sense. If it
- 24 reveals Section 7 activity, then it was excluded by the
- 25 request and therefore it is not responsive. So the

- 1 question itself doesn't really have an answer. It
- 2 doesn't make sense.
- 3 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, can you
- 4 rephrase the question?
- 5 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Yeah, I was not trying to ask it in a confusing
- 7 way, but I know sometimes I do. I guess -- Mr. Spence,
- 8 I was just trying to understand your answer, and you had
- 9 said there were e-mails on your ALU e-mail account that
- 10 you found, but that they reflected Section 7 activity.
- 11 So I guess the better way to ask the question is, were
- 12 any of those e-mails otherwise responsive to anything in
- 13 the subpoena?
- 14 A. I think a better answer for me is that I searched
- 15 my e-mails for things that were responsive to the
- 16 subpoena, but I excluded even really looking at things
- 17 that were covered by Section 7 and I just looked at what
- 18 I had and there was nothing there that ended up being
- 19 responsive for the subpoena.
- 20 Q. Okay. I understand now. Did the ALU communicate
- 21 by Telegram during the campaign period?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And is that something that you still have access
- 24 to?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. Tell me a little bit about how access to Telegram
- 2 works?
- 3 MR. MILNER: Objection. To the extent the
- 4 witness knows, obviously.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. And I was going
- 6 to tell you, Mr. Spence, no one expects you to be an
- 7 expert on Telegram, so just testify based on your own
- 8 personal knowledge.
- 9 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 10 A. Yeah. Okay. So to answer the question, Telegram
- 11 is a group messaging app that you could use on a mobile
- 12 phone, and it was something that we use to communicate
- 13 throughout the campaign.
- Q. And when you say you no longer have access to it,
- 15 why is that?
- 16 A. It was deleted after the campaign.
- Q. Do you recall -- well, when you say "it" -- when
- 18 you say "it," do you mean what do you mean by "it?"
- 19 A. Sorry. The group channel in Telegram that we were
- 20 using to communicate through was deleted.
- Q. Okay. Do you remember when?
- 22 A. It was shortly after the campaign ended.
- 23 Sometime in early April.
- 24 Q. April of 2022?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Do you know who deleted the channel?
- 2 MR. MILNER: Objection. It's irrelevant.
- 3 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yeah. Mr. Larkin, I
- 4 don't think that's relevant.
- 5 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Okay. So after the deletion of the Telegram
- 7 channel, I guess, is it your testimony that no one has
- 8 access to any of the communications that had taken place
- 9 prior to the time that the channel was deleted?
- 10 A. Yeah. So one of the features of Telegram that
- 11 makes it a secure communications app is that once
- messages are deleted by one party, they're deleted by
- 13 everybody -- for everybody.
- Q. In responding, Mr. Spence, to the subpoena to you
- 15 personally and then in gathering communications to
- 16 respond to the subpoena to the Amazon Labor Union, did
- 17 you delete any communications that would have been
- 18 relevant to the requests after you received the
- 19 subpoena?
- 20 A. I don't recall what was in the Telegram.
- 21 Q. Well, this is not so much the Telegram because I
- 22 know you said that the Telegram was -- the whole thing
- 23 was deleted in April of '22. I'm speaking, sort of,
- 24 universally about communications that may have been in
- 25 your possession or the Union's possession that would

- 1 have been relevant to the subpoenas?
- 2 A. To my knowledge, I hadn't deleted anything else.
- 3 Whatever was responsive, is what I gave over.
- Q. Okay. And then, just one other question on the
- 5 ALU e-mail. If you know, is there a standard retention
- 6 rule in place for your ALU e-mail? So as an example,
- 7 some employers have a limit on what can be in your
- 8 inbox, and after a certain amount of time, things are
- 9 automatically deleted whether you manually delete them
- 10 or not. So the question is, does the ALU's e-mail system
- 11 have any sort of rules in place like that that address
- 12 the retention of communications?
- 13 A. Not as far as I know.
- Q. Did the Union communicate during the campaign
- 15 period by Slack?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And do you still have access to those
- 18 communications?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you search those in your search for
- 21 responsive material?
- 22 A. Yes. During the critical period, there was
- 23 nothing responsive in the Slack Because at that time, we
- 24 were mainly using the Telegram.
- 25 Q. I see. So Slack is something that you've used

- 1 more frequently after the campaign period?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. All right. Okay. I want to ask you a couple of
- 4 questions about some of the Union's governing documents.
- 5 So let me start by putting up Exhibit 298. So Mr.
- 6 Spence, this document that's already admitted in
- 7 evidence, it's Employer 298, and I'll represent it, it's
- 8 a 27-page document that's the ALU's Constitution and
- 9 bylaws as of 2021, do you recognize Exhibit 298?
- 10 A. I recognize the first page.
- 11 Q. Okay. Well, let me ask you this, and if we need
- 12 to, sort of, scroll through this, we're happy to do it
- 13 so that you can take a look at it. Generally, when did
- 14 the ALU adopt its constitution and bylaws?
- 15 MR. MILNER: Objection. What's the relevance
- of when they adopted their constitution and bylaws? Are
- 17 we just talking about the critical period here.
- 18 MR. LARKIN: Well, what I'm trying to get to
- 19 is what we talked about before Mr. Spence came into the
- 20 room with respect to Exhibit 727. And so I just want to
- 21 establish the time period that the 298 was adopted and
- 22 in place.
- 23 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I'll give you some
- 24 leeway. Go ahead.
- 25 BY MR. LARKIN:

- 1 Q. Yeah. So Mr. Spence, the question was, when did
- 2 the ALU adopt its constitution and bylaws?
- 3 A. In October of 2021 it was ratified.
- Q. Okay. And after the ALU adopted its constitution
- 5 -- or ratified its constitution and bylaws, in October
- 6 of '21, did it publish any amendments or changes to the
- 7 constitution at any point after that?
- 8 A. It was revised on one or more occasions. I don't
- 9 recall how many times. But there were revisions after
- 10 its initial ratification.
- 11 Q. Okay. And you don't recall how many revisions?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Were any of those revisions during the campaign
- 14 period?
- 15 A. I don't believe so.
- 16 Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Spence, you recall making a filing
- 17 with the Department of Labor late last month where you
- 18 filed an LM1 on behalf of the ALU?
- MR. MILNER: Objection.
- 20 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I think the next
- 21 question is going to be about what was attached to it.
- 22 Is that correct, Mr. Larkin?
- MR. LARKIN: Yes.
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. So I'll permit
- 25 you to ask your next question.

- 1 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Yeah. And did you attach a copy of the ALU's
- 3 CONSTITUTION to your LM1 filing?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. And my question to you is, when did the
- 6 version of the constitution that you attached to the
- 7 ALU's LM1 filing get adopted by the Union?
- 8 A. After the campaign period.
- 9 Q. All right. We can take that down, Molly?
- 10 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Can I ask a question,
- 11 please?
- MR. LARKIN: Sure.
- 13 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Could you put it back
- 14 up, please, Ms. Hanratty? So to your knowledge, Mr.
- 15 Spence, was Employer 298, the Amazon Labor Union
- 16 constitution and bylaws dated 2021, the applicable
- 17 version of the constitution and bylaws during the
- 18 critical period.
- 19 THE WITNESS: Well, I'd have to see all the
- 20 pages if we could.
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes, please.
- 22 MR. LARKIN: So can we go ahead, Molly, and
- 23 just sort of scroll slowly through. If you need us to
- 24 slow down or speed up, Mr. Spence to say so.
- THE WITNESS: Okay. Yeah.

- 1 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. And there was
- 2 no signature page, is that right?
- 3 THE WITNESS: That's right.
- 4 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. Mr. Larkin?
- 5 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Okay. So we can take it down. Okay. So Mr.
- 7 Spence, during the critical period, who were the ALU's
- 8 officers?
- 9 A. The president was Chris Smalls. I was the vice
- 10 president of membership. Derek Palmer was the vice
- 11 president of organizing. Madeline Wesley was the
- 12 treasurer, and Karen Ponce was the secretary.
- 13 Q. Did Gerald Bryson hold any position in the Union
- 14 during the campaign period?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. Is there a position in the Union that you refer
- 17 to as sergeant at arms?
- 18 A. Not during the campaign period.
- 19 Q. What is the sergeant at arms position?
- 20 A. Yeah. So I'll say even now, it's more of an
- 21 honorific. It's not a title that is in our constitution
- 22 or a position that you're elected toward. It's more of a
- 23 recognition of his contributions as a wrongfully
- 24 terminated worker organizer.
- 25 Q. So sort of like an honorary position?

- 1 A. Yeah. Doesn't confer any authority.
- Q. Okay. When was that, sort of, honorary title
- 3 conferred on Mr. Bryson?
- 4 A. After the election period.
- 5 Q. After the election in March of '22?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. All right. Does Jordan Flowers hold any position
- 8 with the Union?
- 9 A. To my knowledge, no.
- 10 Q. Is he an organizer with the Union?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Does the Union have an executive board?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And who serves on the executive board? Not
- 15 people, just what --
- 16 A. Position?
- 17 Q. Yeah.
- 18 A. Okay. So the Executive Officer position that I
- 19 just listed, the president, two vice presidents, the
- 20 treasurer, the secretary, and each building or workforce
- 21 that we organize within has their own organizing
- 22 committee or worker committee or steward committee. And
- 23 that committee has elected chairperson. That chairperson
- 24 also serves as a member of the executive board. And
- 25 that's how it was during the campaign period.

- 1 Q. Okay. So the chairperson of the steward committee
- 2 is also a member of the executive board?
- 3 A. Yeah. The terms organizing committee, worker
- 4 committee, steward committee. I use those
- 5 interchangeably. We could just say organizing committee
- 6 because that's what we had in JFK8.
- 7 Q. Okay. So for JFK8 during the campaign period, the
- 8 Union had one committee, not several?
- 9 A. Yeah.
- 10 Q. Okay. And if we call it the Organizing Committee
- 11 or the Workers Committee, it's essentially the same
- 12 thing?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- Q. Who was the chair of the steward committee during
- 15 the campaign period?
- 16 A. It was Angelika Maldonado.
- 17 Q. Okay. And does any other person serve on the
- 18 executive Board?
- 19 A. I don't know if you want me to say the name, but
- 20 there's a director of organizing, a role that the
- 21 executive board created to assist with organizing
- 22 efforts during the campaign.
- Q. And who was that during the campaign?
- 24 A. It was Brett Daniels.
- Q. Okay. Any other person who would serve on the

- 1 executive committee besides the seven that you've listed
- 2 so far?
- 3 A. No. There is a committee chairperson for LDJ5.
- 4 Q. Who was that?
- 5 A. I actually don't think there was one during the
- 6 campaign period.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. They were elected after.
- 9 Q. With respect to the workers committee, what is
- 10 the role of the workers committee?
- 11 A. The workers committee or the organizing committee
- 12 is essentially a body of workers that is open to anybody
- 13 who wants to organize on behalf of the Union and spread
- 14 like a pro-union message. Get their co workers on Board,
- 15 give them information, get authorization cards signed,
- 16 campaign for yes votes, things like that.
- 17 Q. Does their role include discussing and voting on
- 18 collective bargaining policy and strategy?
- 19 MR. MILNER: I'm going to object, and maybe
- 20 we should excuse the witness before I start getting into
- 21 my objection.
- 22 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Spence, if you'd
- 23 be so kind to leave that room while the attorneys
- 24 discuss this. I appreciate it. And then, Mr. Milner, if
- 25 you could just let us know once we're safe to discuss.

- 2 MR. MILNER: Sure. Let me. Okay.
- 3 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Go ahead, Mr. Milner.
- 4 MR. MILNER: Sure. Got To gather my
- 5 thoughts. Again. I'm not sure. First of all, we have
- 6 stipulated through the agency status of Angelika
- 7 Maldonado and Brett Daniels, and there's now testimony
- 8 that those were the only executive board members from
- 9 this workers committee. So I'm not sure what the
- 10 relevance is of any further questions regarding the
- 11 workers committee is at that point.
- 12 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I'm not either. Mr.
- 13 Larkin.
- MR. LARKIN: Well, there are a number of
- 15 individuals that the upon has not stipulated to as
- 16 agents, and some of whom have testified, some of whom
- 17 have not. So I think that it is probative to ask Mr.
- 18 Spence questions about how these various committees
- 19 operated, who was on them, and what their authority was.
- 20 These questions are not focused on the people that he's
- 21 named.
- MR. MILNER: I mean, being a member of a
- 23 workers committee does not make one an agent, not even
- 24 close, not by any construction of the facts. I mean, it
- 25 is by its nature you're not an agent. You're in the

- 1 workers committee. You're a worker at Amazon, and you
- 2 want to volunteer for the Union. There's no agency
- 3 status that you're going to this is just absolutely
- 4 irrelevant testimony.
- 5 MR. LARKIN: That's a legal argument. It's
- 6 not a basis on which not to elicit facts that, when
- 7 combined with other facts and combined with other facts,
- 8 and combined with other facts that have been elicited
- 9 throughout the course of this proceeding, could amount
- 10 to a finding of agency status.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, you asked
- 12 about a particular individual by name already. Mr.
- 13 Flowers, for example, nothing would preclude you from
- 14 doing something similar regarding other individuals that
- 15 haven't been stipulated to, if that's what you're
- 16 seeking with this witness. But I mean, I'm inclined to
- 17 agree that going into the details of this organizing
- 18 committee is not going to be relevant to any of the
- 19 Objections before me or to establishing agency status.
- MR. LARKIN: Well, I would just say that the
- 21 CONSTITUTION grants specific powers to the committee,
- 22 and it's all in 298. And so, part of what I'm asking Mr.
- 23 Spence about is to confirm or deny that and to ask him
- 24 about how those powers were carried out during the
- 25 campaign period by the members of the workers committee

- 1 and whether certain individuals were part of it. So if
- 2 the constitution confers certain authority on people,
- 3 our position is that that is probative not in and of
- 4 itself the be all and end all, but probative of whether
- 5 in certain situations those individuals were acting on
- 6 the authority of the ALU and hence acting as agents. And
- 7 so, Mr. Spence is the ALU's custodian of records, and so
- 8 I'm asking him these questions in that capacity to sort
- 9 of generally establish these things.
- 10 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. So the
- 11 constitution and bylaws at 298 speaks for itself, but
- 12 I'll give you some leeway. But I don't think that --
- 13 much. Because I'm not sure much of that's going to be
- 14 relevant at this point in the record with the
- 15 stipulations that have been received regarding agency
- 16 status.
- 17 MR. MILNER: Right. I mean, there's already
- 18 been testimony that there is a chairperson to this
- 19 committee and we have stipulated to the agency status of
- 20 the chair people to the committee. So again, the other
- 21 people on the committee, that doesn't prove that they're
- 22 agents. It just proves that they're members of a
- 23 committee, which there is well established case law that
- 24 being a member of an organizing committee or bargaining
- 25 committee does not make you an agent of the Union.

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1 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. That's noted,
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- 2 Mr. Milner. And I agree.
- 3 MR. LARKIN: I guess I would just note for
- 4 the record that there are cases where the Board has
- 5 considered employee's positions on organizing
- 6 committees, among other things, as probative of a
- 7 question of whether those individuals were agents of the
- 8 Union.
- 9 MR. MILNER: Well, then, I mean, if there's
- 10 specific people you want to ask questions about, then we
- 11 can have a different discussion.
- 12 MR. LARKIN: Well, that's, sort of, what I'm
- 13 getting to.
- 14 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. Then that's
- 15 fine. I mean, we already had you name one individual and
- 16 ask -- if you want to do something similar, I certainly
- 17 wouldn't have any issue with that. Let's ask Mr. Spence
- 18 if he can come back in the room, please.
- MR. MILNER: Sure.
- 20 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Thank you.
- 21 MS. MIRER: I'll go after him.
- 22 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Mirer.
- MR. MILNER: He's coming around the other
- 24 door.
- 25 (Witness re-enters videoconference)

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1 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: And just as a
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- 2 reminder, Mr. Larkin, I don't know if at any point in
- 3 this testimony we're going to be going into other
- 4 employee's Section 7 activity, but just let me know and
- 5 we'll go into a breakout room. All right. Mr. Spence,
- 6 welcome back. I remind you that you remain under oath.
- 7 And go ahead, Mr. Larkin.
- 8 MR. LARKIN: Yeah. I guess in response to
- 9 your last comment, Madam Hearing Officer, I don't know
- 10 whether asking the witness questions about specific
- 11 people would necessitate going into a breakout room or
- 12 not. I mean, we've had a lot of testimony about specific
- 13 individuals and what they did and didn't do, but I do
- 14 intend to ask about certain people who are, in some
- 15 cases, bargaining unit members. And so, if it would be
- more appropriate to do that in a breakout room,
- 17 certainly don't have any problem with that.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes, please. Ms.
- 19 Zellinger, if you could assist us in going into a
- 20 breakout room, I'd appreciate it.
- 21 (Enters breakout room).
- MR. LARKIN: Or we can just not ask. Is
- 23 everybody in here yet?
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: And yes, let's have
- 25 the Petitioner and have the Employer confirm that

- 1 everyone that needs to be present is present before Mr.
- 2 Larkin proceeds.
- 3 MR. LARKIN: Yeah, I think we have everyone
- 4 from our side.
- 5 MR. MILNER: I see everyone as well.
- 6 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Perfect. Go ahead,
- 7 Mr. Larkin.
- 8 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 9 Q. Okay. I think before we broke, we were talking
- 10 about the workers committee, which I think we've agreed
- 11 is sort of synonymous with the organizing committee, is
- 12 that right?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. So if a person was on the workers committee, I
- 15 guess they're also, for all intents and purposes, on the
- 16 organizing committee?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. During the campaign period, how many individuals
- 19 were members of the workers committee?
- 20 A. It's hard to nail down a number because anybody
- 21 who was a vocal supporter could essentially consider
- 22 themselves an organizer. And so, we didn't have a
- 23 running count of how many people took that title for
- themselves. I'd say over 100.
- 25 Q. During the campaign period, did the committee

- have -- hold meetings?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Do you recall how many?
- A. We tried to have weekly meetings.
- 5 Q. Okay. Members of this workers committee, they
- 6 would communicate with bargaining unit members regarding
- 7 the Union, correct?
- 8 A. Yeah.
- 9 MR. MILNER: Objection. Again, it's the same
- 10 objection as before.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. Mr. Larkin, I
- 12 said some leeway and I said not much. So I think we've
- 13 reached that point.
- 14 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 15 Q. What did the Union do, Mr. Spence, to make sure
- 16 that the people who, as you say, took the title of
- 17 organizer for themselves were communicating the Union's
- 18 campaign messaging in a way that was consistent?
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner
- MR. MILNER: I'm sorry, I do not mean to
- 21 interrupt. Apparently Mr. Goldstein was not put into the
- 22 breakout room. I apologize.
- 23 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. I will
- 24 tell the bailiff. Sorry about the interruption, go
- ahead.

- 1 MR. MILNER: Sorry, Mr. Larkin.
- 2 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 3 Q. That's all right. Mr. Spence?
- 4 A. Sorry. I was about to say anybody in the building
- 5 who is pro-Union and supportive of the Union have the
- 6 right in the workplace to talk about the Union, whether
- 7 they consider themselves an organizer or not. The best
- 8 we could do was communicate to these people who were
- 9 spreading pro-Union messages. What we felt was accurate
- 10 information about the organizing campaign and the Union
- 11 we were trying to form, which was something we did by
- 12 communicating through literature that we handed out
- 13 through communications, like text messages or e-mails
- 14 and social media messaging, things of that nature.
- 15 Q. Okay. So these are all things that you
- 16 disseminated through organizers?
- 17 A. Yeah. And any pro-Union worker had access to
- 18 these communications.
- 19 Q. Okay. So one of the campaign themes that the
- 20 Union -- during the campaign period was asking the
- 21 company for \$30 an hour. Do you recall that?
- 22 MR. MILNER: I'm sorry, we have gone into a
- 23 breakout room because I thought we were going to be
- 24 talking about individuals, and now we're not. So if
- 25 that's the case, I would like to go back to the public

- 1 hearing room.
- MR. LARKIN: Well, we're going to talk about
- 3 individuals.
- 4 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay.
- 5 MR. MILNER: Well, I mean, as long as we're
- 6 getting there, because otherwise this hearing should
- 7 remain public.
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Go ahead, Mr. Larkin.
- 9 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 10 A. Can you repeat the question?
- 11 Q. Yeah. So one of the Union's campaign themes, I
- 12 believe, during the campaign period was that the Union
- 13 was going to demand \$30 an hour wage from Amazon. You're
- 14 familiar with that?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- Q. That's a message that the ALU created, correct?
- 17 A. That was a message that was kind of
- 18 democratically approved by the organizing committee.
- 19 Q. Right. So when that message was conveyed to
- 20 associates that associates that, you know, we're going
- 21 to, among other things, ask for \$30 an hour, that was
- 22 conveyed as the position of the Union, not the position
- 23 of any individual?
- A. Yes. Based on surveys from Amazon associates. So
- 25 it was more a communication of information that we had

- 1 obtained from our coworkers.
- 2 Q. Yes. And then the Union formulated what its
- 3 position was going to be on that issue, correct?
- 4 A. Yeah.
- 5 MR. MILNER: I'm going to object again, I'm
- 6 not sure what relevance the Union's bargaining positions
- 7 have to the Amazon's Objections. And again, I'm going to
- 8 ask that we return to the public hearing room If we're
- 9 not going to be specifically speaking about individuals,
- 10 we can return to the breakout room at such time.
- 11 MR. LARKIN :That's fine.
- 12 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: No. I agree. Well, I
- 13 mean, unless we can go there right now, can we turn to
- 14 that testimony and then return to the public room, Mr.
- 15 Larkin?
- 16 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Well, let me try to speed this up. Mr. Spence,
- 18 of the 100 or so members of the workers committee,
- 19 certain of those numbers were designated lead
- 20 organizers, is that right?
- 21 A. Nobody designated anyone as a lead organizer. It
- 22 was more of an informal title given by somebody to
- 23 themselves, essentially when they saw themselves as
- 24 putting in maybe more work than others and being more
- 25 vocal than others. And it was just something that was

- 1 essentially a state of mind.
- 2 Q. So for instance, a person like Jason Anthony.
- 3 You're familiar with Jason Anthony, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And you know that Jason Anthony held himself out
- on social media as a lead organizer for the Union?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And you never told Mr. Anthony that he could not
- 9 hold himself out in that capacity?
- 10 A. I mean, if he considered himself to be a vocal
- 11 supporter of the Union, then I have no issue with him
- 12 holding himself out like that.
- 13 Q. Okay. So the answer to my question then was you
- 14 never told him that he couldn't hold himself out that
- 15 way?
- 16 A. I honestly didn't even know that he was holding
- 17 himself out that way.
- 18 Q. I think I just asked you, you're familiar that
- 19 Mr. Anthony holding himself out as a lead organizer and
- 20 you said yes.
- 21 A. I became familiar after the campaign period, is
- 22 what I was trying to specify. During the campaign
- 23 period, I didn't know how he was holding himself out. I
- 24 don't monitor everyone's social media.
- 25 Q. Okay. You know that Mr. Anthony was making social

- 1 media posts on behalf of the Union?
- 2 MR. MILNER: Objection.
- 3 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: What's your
- 4 objection?
- 5 MR. MILNER: Asked and answered.
- 6 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. Yeah, I think
- 7 that's true. Mr. Larkin.
- 8 MR. LARKIN: That that question was asked
- 9 and answered?
- 10 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Repeat the question.
- MR. LARKIN: Now of course. I forget what it
- 12 was.
- 13 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. I believe that the question was -- well, Mr.
- 15 Spence had said I believe Mr. Spence had said you don't
- 16 monitor everyone's social media accounts and things that
- 17 they're doing. And I think what I had asked was that Mr.
- 18 Anthony -- is he aware that Mr. Anthony was operating
- 19 the ALU's Twitter account at times and making Twitter
- 20 posts on behalf of the Union?
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: You can respond to
- 22 that, Mr. Spence.
- 23 BY MR. LARKIN:
- A. No. Mr. Anthony was not operating the ALU'S
- 25 Twitter account and making posts on behalf of the Union.

- 1 Q. Who was doing that?
- 2 A. It was either myself or Brett Daniels.
- 3 MR. LARKIN: Okay. I don't know how long I'm
- 4 going to keep going down with these questions. So why
- 5 don't we just go back to the public room and if I turn
- 6 back to individual names, then maybe we can come back.
- 7 But my questioning on this -- I intended to start with
- 8 names, but this is sort of the direction we're going.
- 9 We're not really talking about names, so, I mean, I'm
- 10 fine to stay, I'm fine to go, whatever everyone wants.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. Well, we
- 12 will go and then Mr. Larkin, just let us know when we
- 13 should return.
- MR. LARKIN: Okay.
- 15 (Leaves the breakout room)
- 16 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, you may
- 17 proceed.
- 18 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 19 Q. Okay. Mr. Spence, is it correct that the bylaws
- 20 of the ALU constitution provides that members of the
- 21 workers committee are considered stewards?
- MR. MILNER: Objection The Constitution an
- 23 bylaws speak for themselves.
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Sustained.
- 25 BY MR. LARKIN:

- 1 Q. Okay. Let me ask you this. Is everybody who's on
- 2 the organizing committee considered a steward?
- 3 A. Stewards are a position that is intended to exist
- 4 to enforce a contract. So no, because we don't have a
- 5 contract, they don't fulfill the role of stewards.
- Q. So the Union has not designated anybody to be a
- 7 steward?
- 8 A. No. And it says in our constitution that stewards
- 9 have to be democratically elected. To this date, there's
- 10 not been an election for a steward.
- 11 Q. During the campaign, Mr. Spence, did the Union
- 12 set up tables in break areas of the JFK8 facility?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. At these tables, the Union would talk with
- 15 employees about the campaign, is that correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Hand out things like t-shirts and flyers?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Well, let me ask you this way. Certainly there
- 20 were times where you would sit at those tables, correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And there are obviously times where other people
- 23 would sit at the tables?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. How was it decided who would sit at the tables

- 1 and talk with employees about the ALU?
- 2 MR. MILNER: Objection. I don't know what
- 3 the relevance is of who decides when someone sits at a
- 4 table I don't know what this is going to.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin?
- 6 MR. LARKIN: I mean, just yesterday there
- 7 was questions elicited by Ms. Mirer about the frequency
- 8 and of the Union setting up tables and campaigning and
- 9 who sat at them where they were. So we objected, the
- 10 testimony was permitted and --
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Sorry, Mr. Larkin.
- 12 Go ahead.
- MR. LARKIN: Well, no. So I'm asking him,
- 14 Mr. Spence, some questions about this aspect of the
- 15 campaign. Again, because I believe that it goes to
- 16 agency question and apparent authority okay. Anything
- 17 further than that, we have to talk outside of Mr.
- 18 Spence's presence.
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right.
- 20 MR. LARKIN: I don't think there's more to
- 21 say than that.
- 22 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. The
- 23 testimony that you referred to from yesterday was
- 24 permitted as foundational to establish basic banks for
- 25 the testimony that followed involving a particular

- 1 incident. So that's why it was permitted at that time.
- 2 But I'll give you some leeway. But again, not much
- 3 because I don't think that there's going to be much that
- 4 you're going to establish through this line of
- 5 questioning. Go ahead.
- 6 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 7 Q. My question, Mr. Spence, was how would it be
- 8 decided who would sit at the ALU's tables and
- 9 communicate with employees and pass out ALU shirts and
- 10 flyers?
- 11 A. It was on a volunteer basis. Whoever wanted to
- 12 sit at the table and talk to workers about the Union was
- 13 permitted to do so.
- Q. And how often would the Union set up and operate
- 15 these tables?
- 16 A. The most vocal supporters strive to be there as
- 17 often as they were available during the campaign period.
- 18 So many of us, like myself, for instance, we were there
- 19 every day. I was there every day after my shift and
- 20 every day on my days off.
- 21 Q. And when you were sitting at the tables and
- 22 talking to employees about the campaign, would you wear
- 23 ALU paraphernalia?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And other individuals who were sitting at the

- 1 tables would also wear ALU paraphernalia, correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And would the Union put out signs near or on the
- 4 table saying ALU or other identifiers that this was the
- 5 Union?
- 6 MR. MILNER: I'm going to object again, I'm
- 7 still not sure where this is going. All of this
- 8 testimony about a table.
- 9 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yeah. I think that
- 10 both on relevance grounds and also cumulative at this
- 11 point, we have ample testimony in the record with
- 12 respect to the tables and what was on the tables and
- 13 where they were. So I'd appreciate it Mr. Larkin, if we
- 14 can move on.
- MR. LARKIN: All right. So I think we
- 16 should go back to the breakout room.
- 17 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. Ms. Zellinger,
- 18 could you assist us please?
- 19 (Enter breakout room).
- 20 And once both parties confirm everyone is
- 21 here that needs to be here. Okay. Mr. Larkin.
- 22 MR. LARKIN: Just a second, I'm looking now.
- 23 Yeah, I think we got everybody.
- MR. MILNER: Actually, you know what? No,
- 25 I'm sorry, everyone is here.

- 1 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Go ahead, Mr. Larkin.
- 2 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Mr. Spence, Mr. Anthony was one of the organizers
- 4 who would staff the ALU tables, correct?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. So Mr. Anthony never handed out any ALU
- 7 literature or sat any ALU table during the entire
- 8 campaign period?
- 9 A. I misunderstood the question. I thought you meant
- 10 that he was in control of staffing the table. No. He
- 11 was one of the people who would volunteer to sit at the
- 12 table.
- Q. And what about Justine Medina?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And how often would Mr. Anthony sit at the table
- 16 and distribute ALU campaign material?
- 17 MR. MILNER: Your Honor, I object to this
- 18 entire line of questioning. However many times Mr.
- 19 Anthony sat at the table is completely irrelevant to his
- 20 agency status. As is whether he gave out shirts or gave
- 21 out lanyards or answered questions, it's all irrelevant,
- 22 your Honor.
- MR. LARKIN: Can we ask Mr. Spence to step
- 24 out?
- 25 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Spence, thank

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                 And Mr. Milner, if you could confirm.
                 MR. MILNER: Yeah. As soon as he -- okay.
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                 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right.
                 MR. LARKIN: First of all, Mr. Spence is
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     serving as the ALU's custodian of records. So he's here
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     as an individual. He's also here as the ALU's custodian
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     of records. So I'm asking him general questions about
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     the Union. And so, nothing that I ask Mr. Spence in that
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     regard is cumulative. That's number one. Number two, I
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     couldn't disagree more that this all goes to apparent
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     authority. Associates have no means of distinguishing
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     committee members when they're sitting at the table,
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     hearing ALU paraphernalia. And so, evidence of who was
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     as much as it goes to the apparent authority of these
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individuals is by their apparent authority. And the test

for that is, what did the bargaining unit think These

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- 1 people -- who they were, were they speaking on behalf of
- 2 the Union or not? And so the evidence of how these
- 3 individuals held themselves out to the bargaining unit
- 4 is probative of that. And so, all of this entire line of
- 5 testimony is plainly relevant to that. And so, whether I
- 6 ask about a specific name or not or whether I ask
- 7 questions that are intended to have the witness testify
- 8 generally about what happened at these tables, it's all
- 9 clearly relevant and probative of that issue. And that
- 10 is what I'm seeking to do here with Mr. Spence. And as
- 11 the individual who's sort of essentially standing in for
- 12 the Union, he is the most knowledgeable individual about
- 13 the ALU and its operations. And so, he's the appropriate
- 14 person to ask all of these questions.
- 15 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner?
- 16 MR. MILNER: Your Honor, first of all, there
- 17 hasn't been any testimony presented in 20 days of
- 18 hearing that anyone was confused about the authority of
- 19 anyone who was at the table. In addition to that, Amazon
- 20 has already had Ms. Medina and Mr. Anthony on the stand,
- 21 and he could have asked them whatever questions they
- 22 wanted. So I don't understand why Mr. Spence would be
- 23 asked these questions. It is irrelevant because under
- 24 this logic, any Union supporter that chooses to
- 25 volunteer and help a Union organizing drive becomes an

- 1 agent of the Union. And that is just not the case law.
- 2 We are wasting time with irrelevant questions and
- 3 cluttering the record. It's just irrelevant. It is
- 4 completely and utterly irrelevant.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: So Mr. Larkin, we
- 6 went through a similar argument when Ms. Medina was
- 7 testifying, and I raised a concern that the testimony
- 8 that was being elicited with respect to her and her
- 9 volunteering as an eager volunteer of the Union did not
- 10 appear to be sufficient to confer agency status under
- 11 Board case law. And I cited a number of cases in support
- of that proposition, and I will not repeat that here,
- 13 but the Board focuses on whether the Union had relied
- 14 exclusively on such pro-Union employees to convey its
- 15 message such that the Union is otherwise absent from the
- 16 campaign, rendering the pro-Union employees the only
- 17 conduit for Union communication to employees. That's one
- 18 example, and so far in the record don't have anything
- 19 remotely close to that. So if that's where we're
- 20 heading, if we're going to get evidence of that nature,
- 21 sure. But if we're just going to talk about how many
- 22 times Mr. Anthony, for example, was present at the table
- 23 handing out lanyards and buttons and t-shirts, that's
- 24 not going to get to agency status.
- 25 MR. LARKIN: Well, I just respectfully beq

- 1 to differ. There's evidence in the record, throughout
- 2 the record of other actions that these and other
- 3 individuals have taken. And what we have done throughout
- 4 this case on this particular issue is inappropriately
- 5 and incorrectly, in my view, look at each witness and
- 6 each line of questioning in a vacuum, as if that line of
- 7 questioning either will or won't establish the agency
- 8 status of Mr. Smith. And that is simply not how it's
- 9 done. We are entitled to present evidence through --
- 10 what we're on witness 50 now, or something like that, of
- 11 the actions taken throughout the campaign by various
- 12 individuals. This is simply one area that we're looking
- 13 to do that. And I would state that the witness has
- 14 testified this morning that when individuals were
- 15 communicating things like the Union's contract demands,
- 16 those are the Union's positions, not something that I
- just decided to make up because I really want a Union.
- 18 So I'm going to go sit at the Union's table and make up
- 19 all the things that the Union is going to get for you.
- 20 He's already testified that's not how this was done. And
- 21 so I think that some of this evidence that I've already
- 22 elicited from him is probative of this line of inquiry.
- 23 And I think that limiting our ability to continue to
- 24 develop the record on that would be would be
- 25 inappropriate.

- 1 MR. MILNER: Your Honor, the fact that
- 2 someone parrots a Union campaign or bargaining position
- 3 does not make them an agent. It makes them a supporter,
- 4 just as all of this makes them a supporter. And frankly,
- 5 you've already ruled. So I would suggest that we just go
- 6 back to the main room and continue on.
- 7 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, do you
- 8 intend to elicit more names where we should stay in the
- 9 breakout room, or shall we return to the main session?
- 10 MR. LARKIN: I might. Yeah.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: You might right now
- 12 or you might in a few questions? I'm just trying to
- 13 gauge whether we should stay here now or come back.
- MR. LARKIN: I gues, Why don't we just stay
- 15 here now so I can try to finish with that.
- 16 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. All Right. If
- 17 we could get Mr. Spence back, I'd appreciate it.
- 18 (Witness re-enters the videoconference)
- 19 THE WITNESS: Coming back.
- 20 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Thank you. Okay. Mr.
- 21 Spence, I remind you that you remain under oath. And go
- 22 ahead, Mr. Larkin.
- 23 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Mr. Spence, do you know how many times that Mr.
- 25 Anthony worked at the ALU tables during the campaign?

- 1 MR. MILNER: Objection. Your Honor, we just
- 2 had this conversation.
- 3 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: We did, Mr. Larkin.
- 4 MR. LARKIN: We did.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. And I ruled.
- 6 And so I would ask that you move on.
- 7 MR. LARKIN: I don't understand. I guess I'm
- 8 just missing it. How am I supposed to move on? Because I
- 9 want to ask about other individuals. We stayed in the
- 10 breakout room so I could do it. I just did, and I got an
- 11 objection.
- 12 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Well, I think that
- 13 you can ask other questions, but the exact example I
- 14 gave was asking how many times Mr. Anthony was at the
- 15 table as something that I did not see as being relevant
- 16 to conferring agency status under Board case law. So
- 17 just ask a different question.
- 18 MR. LARKIN: I think maybe at this point,
- 19 it'd probably be appropriate for me to make a proffer of
- 20 the areas that I would like to inquire about, because
- 21 there are more. And maybe if I could take -- we've been
- 22 going now for about an hour and a half with Mr. Spence.
- 23 Anyway, if we could take a three or five minute break, I
- 24 can put that together, and then we can either do it or
- 25 we can move to something else.

- 1 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. And so, just so
- 2 I'm clear, we should stay in the breakout room, take a
- 3 five minute break, you'll come back, make a proffer, mr.
- 4 Spence will be elsewhere during that proffer, and then
- 5 we'll determine how we're going to go from there.
- 6 MR. LARKIN: Yeah, I think that might help
- 7 speed things along.
- 8 MR. MILNER: Is the proffer going to have
- 9 specific names in it.
- 10 MR. LARKIN: Yes.
- MR. MILNER: Okay.
- 12 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That'S fine. So let's
- 13 go off the record. Five minutes.
- 14 (Off the record)
- 15 (On the record).
- 16 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: And we are back on
- 17 the record. Go ahead, Mr. Larkin. You're muted, Mr.
- 18 Larkin.
- 19 MR. LARKIN: Sorry about that -- I'm getting
- 20 a message. Oh, never mind. I thought one of our folks
- 21 had been kicked out of the breakout room, but we're
- 22 good. If permitted, I would ask Mr. Spence about the
- 23 number of times that Jason Anthony, Justine Medina,
- 24 Cassio Mendoza, Tristan Martinez and Jordan Flowers
- 25 staffed the ALU's break room tables. I would ask Mr.

- 1 Spence additional questions about how he and the Union
- 2 determined a schedule for who would sit at the tables
- 3 and when.
- 4 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. Mr. Spence has
- 5 already testified that individuals volunteered to serve
- 6 at the ALU table when they were available.
- 7 MR. LARKIN: I believe he also intimated
- 8 that there were some decisions made, and I would
- 9 question him about how it was decided who would come
- 10 when. In other words, I don't understand his testimony
- 11 to be there was just an empty table with a bunch of
- 12 stuff, and anybody could walk up and just work that day.
- 13 There was a staffing plan. And so, I would ask him
- 14 questions about that and how that was derived and who
- 15 participated in making it.
- 16 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. That's not how
- 17 I understood his testimony.
- 18 MR. MILNER: And it definitely wasn't a
- 19 staffing plan. That implies that, again, that they were
- 20 employees, these were volunteers.
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: And that was crystal
- 22 clear in his testimony, I thought. And again, the Board
- 23 case law is clear that people who volunteer to do the
- 24 traditional kind of organizing things, getting cards
- 25 signed, passing out Union paraphernalia, that's not

- 1 sufficient to confer agency status. So I just don't
- 2 think that's going to get us there. If you want to
- 3 clarify the record with respect to how it was determined
- 4 who was going to stack the tables, I'll permit you to do
- 5 that. But beyond that, I just don't see how the
- 6 testimony you're seeking to enter into the record would
- 7 be relevant to any of the Objections or to proving
- 8 agency status under Board law.
- 9 MR. LARKIN: Okay. So we note our
- 10 disagreement on the law, and I guess based on that, we
- 11 can probably go back to the main room because I won't be
- 12 asking him questions about individuals.
- 13 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay.
- MS. MIRER: I think we have to get Connor
- 15 back to the room.
- MR. MILNER: He's coming.
- 17 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Let's briefly go off
- 18 the record while we wait.
- 19 (Off the record)
- 20 (On the record).
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Let's go back on the
- 22 record. And I remind you, Mr. Spence, that you remain
- 23 under oath. And go ahead, Mr. Larkin. And you're muted.
- 24 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Okay. Mr. Spence, I think where we left off, I

- 1 was asking you about the break room -- ALU tables in the
- 2 break room. At some point, I think I asked you a
- 3 question about how it was determined who would work on
- 4 any particular day at the tables. Do you know that?
- 5 A. Yeah. So like I said, it was essentially on a
- 6 volunteer basis. If somebody could come in, they might
- 7 volunteer to work on their break, they might volunteer
- 8 to stay late after work, they might volunteer to come in
- 9 on their day off. Generally, there was a sentiment that
- 10 late in the campaign, everybody should do everything
- 11 they can to make sure that there was some kind of
- 12 pro-Union presence in the break room, but it wasn't
- 13 really coordinated. And there were many days where,
- 14 unfortunately, we couldn't have anybody in the break
- 15 room because nobody was available. Or there were times
- 16 where we had set up the table, place literature on it,
- 17 but left it unattended.
- 18 Q. And how, if at all, would the ALU keep track of
- 19 who was working at the table on a given day?
- 20 MR. MILNER: I'm going to object to this
- 21 continued use of the term "working." The testimony is
- 22 clear that they were volunteers.
- 23 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, could you
- 24 please rephrase?
- 25 BY MR. LARKIN:

- 1 Q. Same question. How would the Union keep track of
- 2 who was sitting at the tables passing out literature or
- 3 other ALU paraphernalia on any given day?
- 4 A. We didn't keep track. There were no scheduled
- 5 shifts. I could advertise in our organizing chat that I
- 6 was going to be in the break room on a certain day. If
- 7 anyone wanted to join me, they were welcome to it. Or I
- 8 would also say, hey, guys, I'm normally in the break
- 9 room on this day, but for whatever reason, I'm not
- 10 available this week. If anyone is open to kind of taking
- 11 over my presence, it was on a volunteer basis.
- 12 Q. Who provided the materials that were given out at
- 13 the tables?
- 14 A. For the most part, I coordinated making and
- 15 printing the materials.
- 16 Q. And what about ALU t-shirts and buttons?
- 17 A. I coordinated ordering the t-shirts. The buttons
- 18 were donated to us.
- 19 Q. What about the ALU lanyards?
- 20 A. I coordinated ordering the lanyards.
- 21 O. And is it true that in some instances the Union
- 22 would hand out or collect authorization cards at the
- 23 tables?
- A. Not in the break rooms. The main times where we
- 25 collected authorization cards, those were the days where

- 1 we were outside the building at the bus stop. There's a
- 2 distinction I want to draw between that period and the
- 3 period where we took to maintaining active presence in
- 4 the break room during the election period. And that's
- 5 because there was a national settlement between Amazon
- 6 and the Board that affirmed our right to be in the break
- 7 rooms during our non-working time, and that was around
- 8 December and January.
- 9 Q. Did the Union never solicit authorization cards
- 10 inside the building? Only outside the building, Is that
- 11 your testimony?
- 12 A. There were probably times where people on their
- 13 breaks had cards on them and got coworkers to sign them,
- 14 but it was never a coordinated effort in the way that we
- 15 engaged in card signing outside the building.
- 16 Q. Okay. So outside the building, the Union --
- 17 you're testifying that the Union had table set up in a
- 18 way that was sort of similar to the tables inside the
- 19 break room?
- 20 A. Yes. The distinction I want to make is that when
- 21 we set up tables in the break room, we didn't have
- 22 authorization cards on those tables because by that
- 23 time, our petition for the election had already been
- 24 approved. There was no need to get authorization card
- 25 signed. So we had other kinds of literature. We had

- 1 pamphlets that had to do with the election and surveys
- 2 about what Amazon workers would like to see in the Union
- 3 contracts, things of that nature.
- Q. Okay. So when you solicited authorization cards
- 5 outside the building, who created the cards?
- 6 MR. MILNER: Objection. What is the
- 7 relevance of this?
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I understood Mr.
- 9 Spence's testimony to be that the cards were signed
- 10 prior to the critical period that's relevant to the
- 11 Objections before me. So I fail to see the relevance of
- 12 your question, mr. Larkin.
- 13 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Mr. Spence, did the ALU collect any authorization
- 15 cards after December 22, 2021?
- MR. MILNER: I'm going to object again to
- 17 the relevance. It is Objection 4. And as the argument
- 18 has been made on multiple occasions, the fact that cards
- 19 may or may not have been submitted after the filing of
- 20 the petition is irrelevant, as that is well within the
- 21 rules of the NLRB.
- MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: I join in that
- 23 objection. Any testimony should not be elicited
- 24 regarding the showing of interest. It is purely an
- 25 administrative matter and not litigable, and

- 1 specifically in the R case manual that no live testimony
- 2 is to be elicited regarding the showing of interest.
- 3 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. And I've made
- 4 that ruling a number of times on the record, so there
- 5 should not be any testimonial listed regarding the
- 6 showing of interest.
- 7 MR. LARKIN: And I did not seek to elicit
- 8 such testimony. I asked questions about card signing at
- 9 ALU tables inside the critical period merely for the
- 10 purpose of establishing that these tables were being
- 11 operated by the Union During the critical period. Mr.
- 12 Spence made a distinction between activities inside and
- 13 outside. We've talked extensively about inside. I'm now
- 14 simply asking him about the distinction that he drew
- 15 with respect to the Union's tables on the outside.
- MR. MILNER: Did I misunderstand the
- 17 question? Because I thought you were asking who had the
- 18 authorization cards printed.
- 19 MR. LARKIN: All I want to establish, and
- 20 maybe we can just stipulate to this, is that the
- 21 authorization cards were created and maintained by the
- 22 Union. I don't care about any individual. And the fact
- 23 that they were solicited at the Unions -- These tables,
- 24 I think, is relevant to establishing sort of the nature
- of these tables. These are Unions tables, not some

- 1 random person.
- 2 MR. MILNER: Your Honor, there's just no
- 3 relevance to authorization cards are not relevant to
- 4 this proceeding.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I'm inclined to
- 6 agree, Mr. Larkin.
- 7 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 8 Q. Okay. Mr. Spence, I'm going to show you a couple
- 9 of documents and ask you some questions about the
- 10 documents. First, I guess let me ask you a couple of
- 11 questions first. So Mr. Spence, did you serve as an
- 12 observer in the election?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Do you recall what election periods that
- 15 you served as an observer?
- 16 A. I know that I served for the morning session on
- 17 the first day, and I believe I was also present in the
- 18 morning session on the second day and another evening
- 19 session. I don't recall exactly the other session or
- 20 other sessions. I believe I served at least for three
- 21 sessions.
- 22 Q. So you know that Friday morning, you think maybe
- 23 Saturday morning and then you're not sure, but another
- 24 evening?
- 25 A. Yeah. I definitely was present for an evening

- 1 session.
- 2 Q. In answering that, are you sort of
- 3 differentiating between the times that you, sort of,
- 4 were present at pre-election and post-election
- 5 conferences as the union's representative from times
- 6 where you actually stayed and served as an observer?
- 7 A. Yeah. Those were distinct instances. I don't
- 8 think there was ever a point where I was an observer and
- 9 also acted as a representative for the pre- and post-
- 10 conference.
- 11 Q. Okay. So I'd like to ask you to take a look at
- 12 Employer's Exhibit 2927. Can we put that up? Okay. And
- 13 before I go any further -- don't go any further, Molly.
- 14 Madam Hearing Officer, I'll represent that Employers
- 15 Exhibit 2927 are the ALU's observer designations. This
- 16 was a document produced, I believe, by the Amazon Labor
- 17 Union. I have some questions that I'd like to ask Mr.
- 18 Spence about, but in order to do that, as we scroll
- 19 through this, this will reveal individual employee
- 20 names. So these are designated observers. I don't know
- 21 whether we need to do this in the breakout room or not,
- 22 but I defer to you on that.
- 23 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I'll defer to the
- 24 Petitioner. Mr. Milner?
- 25 MR. MILNER: I'm going to ask Connor what he

- 1 prefers.
- 2 THE WITNESS: So this is going to list names
- 3 of Observers.
- 4 MR. MILNER: Yeah, it's the names of the
- 5 Observers that we provided to the Board.
- THE WITNESS: No, I don't have an issue. We
- 7 don't have to go no breakout with that.
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Please proceed, Mr.
- 9 Larkin.
- 10 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 11 Q. All right. So Mr. Spence, this is a document that
- 12 was produced by the Union, and I'll ask you first, do
- 13 you recognize the first page?
- 14 A. I don't recall.
- 15 Q. You don't recall whether you ever saw this?
- 16 A. I may have seen it before. I really, I don't
- 17 recall if I've seen it before. I might have.
- 18 Q. Did you not produce this document as part of the
- 19 ALU's document production?
- 20 A. I don't have access to that document.
- Q. Okay. So this is not a document that you produced
- 22 as part of the documents that you turned over?
- 23 A. I might have produced it.
- MR. MILNER: Are you asking him as an
- 25 individual or as the custodian of records? Maybe we

- 1 should clarify that.
- 2 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 3 Q. Yeah, the latter?
- A. All right, so the custodian record documents, if
- 5 it was anything to do with the Board processes, then I
- 6 was assisted by my attorneys in producing that. So if
- 7 this was produced as part of the custodian records, then
- 8 yes.
- 9 Q. So if Mr. Spence can't authenticate this, can we
- 10 stipulate to its authenticity as a document produced by
- 11 the Amazon Labor Union?
- MR. MILNER: Yeah. I'll represent that
- 13 those were -- I mean, once we get through all of them, I
- 14 can certainly represent that those are, in fact, the
- 15 designation of observer forms that were submitted to the
- 16 NLRB.
- 17 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That stipulation is
- 18 received.
- 19 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Okay. So Mr. Spence, I want to sort of run
- 21 through this and ask you about some of the other
- 22 Observers, if you know. So can we go to page 2? Okay.
- 23 So Mr. Spence, do you recall Mr. Anthony serving as an
- 24 observer during the election?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And do you know which voting sessions he served
- 2 in that role?
- 3 A. I recall being with him for the morning session
- 4 of the first day. I believe he was also serving on the
- 5 evening session of the first day. I don't -- off the top
- 6 of my head, I don't recall the sessions that everybody
- 7 served.
- 8 Q. Okay. Well, we'll go through these and see if
- 9 you remember any. Let's do the next one. Michelle
- 10 Valentines, do you know who she is?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And do you recall that she served as an observer?
- 13 A. Yeah. I believe that she also served on that
- 14 first morning session and possibly that first evening
- 15 session.
- Q. Okay. Let's do the next one. Do you know Sean
- 17 Davidson?
- 18 A. I don't personally know him.
- 19 Q. Okay. Do you know when he served as an observer?
- 20 A. I do not.
- Q. Okay. Let's do the next one. Brima Sylla?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. I don't know if I'm pronouncing that cortrectly.
- 24 Do you know him?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And do you know when he served as an observer?
- 2 A. I don't recall an exact session, but I know at
- 3 one point he and I were observers on the same evening
- 4 session.
- 5 Q. Okay. So he was with you on some evening
- 6 session, you just don't know which one?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. Let's go to the next one. Antonio Mendoza.
- 9 Do you know Mr. Mendoza?
- 10 A. That's Cassio Mendoza. Cassio is his preferred
- 11 name. Yes, I know him.
- 12 Q. And do you recall which, if any, days he served
- 13 as an observer?
- A. I don't recall a specific day. I know I also was
- 15 an observer at the same evening session as him. I don't
- 16 remember which one.
- Q. Let's do the next one. Okay. Mr. Palmer. You know
- 18 Mr. Palmer?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And do you recall when Mr. Palmer was -- served
- 21 as an observer?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. All right. Let's do the next one. Angelika
- 24 Maldonado, You know Ms. Maldonado?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And do you know when Ms. Maldonado served as an
- 2 observer?
- 3 A. No.
- Q. Okay. Let's see. How many more do we have? Next
- 5 one. Brett Daniels. You know Mr. Daniels?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And do you know which sessions he served as an
- 8 observer?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. All right. Let's do the next one. Karen Ponce, do
- 11 you know Ms. Ponce?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you know hich sessions she served as an
- 14 observer?
- 15 A. No.
- Q. Okay. Do the next one, I think we're almost done.
- 17 Tristan Dutchen. Do you know Mr. Dutchen?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And do you know which sessions he served as an
- 20 observer?
- 21 A. No.
- Q. And then I think there's one more. Tristan
- 23 Martinez, do you know Mr. Martinez?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And do you know which sessions that he served as

- 1 an observer?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. All right. I think we can take that down, Molly.
- 4 Mr. Spence can't authenticate the document, but I know
- 5 we have a stipulation as to its authenticity. I would
- 6 like to move for its admission into the record based on
- 7 that stipulation.
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Could you put the
- 9 exhibit back up, Ms. Hanratty? 2927. And I just have a
- 10 question, and perhaps it's for Mr. Milner. The dates up
- in the top right, Did you put those dates in there, Mr.
- 12 Milner.
- MR. MILNER: I put those down when I
- 14 submitted them to the NLRB, yes.
- 15 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. That's all I
- 16 needed. And any objection to the receipt of 2927 based
- on the stipulation between the parties That I received.
- MR. MILNER: No objection.
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. Ms. Weis.
- MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: No objection.
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. 2927 is
- 22 received.
- 23 (Employer's Exhibit 2927 received)
- 24 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 25 Q. I guess. One other question, Mr. Spence. If you

- 1 know, can you put those back up, Molly? Do you know Mr.
- 2 Spence, what the date the handwritten dates in the top
- 3 right hand corner of each page of Exhibit 2927 mean?
- 4 A. The handwritten dates in the top right.
- 5 Q. Yeah. So we're looking at the page that is
- 6 Justine Martinez's designation form. And there's a
- 7 handwritten 330 in the top right hand corner. Do you
- 8 know what that means?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Okay. All right. We can take that off. All
- 11 right. Let's see here. Mr. Spence, one of the ways that
- 12 the Union communicated with associates was through text
- 13 messages; is that correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Okay. Can I ask that we put 516 up. And before we
- do, Molly, can we make sure that it's the redacted one?
- 17 Okay. Good. So Mr. Spence, I put up on the screen, a
- 18 document, a photo of a text thread. We've marked it
- 19 Employer 516. For confidentiality reasons, we've
- 20 redacted the phone number at the top. And my question to
- 21 you is, do you recognize the messaging in the texts in
- the photo?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And can you tell us what those are?
- 25 A. So at a point during the campaign, we tried to

- 1 set up a text banking campaign, having volunteers that
- 2 were Amazon workers reach out to their coworkers to talk
- 3 about the Union and spread information that they needed
- 4 to know for the election.
- 5 Q. Okay. And who drafted, If you know, the language
- 6 that we're looking at in these text messages?
- 7 A. It was kind of a group effort and then approved
- 8 by the executive board.
- 9 Q. And to whom -- now, this obviously is a text
- 10 message that was received by one individual. But who did
- 11 the Union send these text messages out to?
- 12 A. The workers that were on the Excelsior list. So
- 13 workers that we believed to be bargaining unit numbers.
- Q. Now -- Okay. And where it says at the top of the
- 15 message, this is Mitch, I'm an LDJ5 worker and an
- 16 organizer with the ALU. Is Mitch, like, an actual
- 17 person?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Do you know who that is?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Who is that? Before I -- Ms. Dunn, I quess I'm --
- MR. MILNER: Object. I'm objection to
- 23 relevance. What difference does it make.
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I agree. Mr. Larkin,
- 25 I don't understand why we need to identify that

- 1 particular individual.
- 2 MR. MILNER: Sending texts on behalf of the
- 3 Union does not make one an agent of the Union. It makes
- 4 someone a volunteer and a supporter.
- 5 MR. LARKIN: Yeah. Again and again, we're
- 6 doing the same thing. We're looking at evidence in a
- 7 vacuum, which is the inappropriate way to do it. And a
- 8 determination about various individuals and their legal
- 9 status can be made at the conclusion of the hearing,
- 10 based on all the evidence that's submitted. Simply
- 11 trying to identify if Mitch is a real human being or a
- 12 made up name.
- 13 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin? Sorry.
- 14 516 itself states that that person purportedly named
- 15 Mitch is an LDJ5 worker. That's not even an employee of
- 16 JFK8. So I just did not think that Mitch's name, if he
- 17 exists as an actual person, is going to be relevant to
- 18 the Objections before me or to the agency status.
- 19 MR. LARKIN: Well, but the text goes on to
- 20 say, on March 25 to 30th, we have a chance to make
- 21 history, et cetera. So the individual is clearly
- 22 referring to the election in this case, not any other
- 23 case. And it is certainly true that individuals who are
- 24 not employees at JFK8, or even not employees of Amazon,
- 25 can be agents of the Amazon Labor Union.

- 1 MR. MILNER: But sending a text telling
- 2 people to vote does not make one an agent. There's no
- 3 amount of text message evidence that's going to create
- 4 an agency relationship here. It's just going to clutter
- 5 the record.
- 6 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I'm inclined to
- 7 agree, Mr. Larkin.
- 8 MR. LARKIN: Okay, well, we'll note our
- 9 disagreement, and based on Mr. Spencer's testimony would
- 10 move the admission of 516.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner.
- 12 MR. MILNER: I object to the relevance.
- 13 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: Doesn't really go to
- 15 Objections 1 through 12, but legally speaking, as far as
- 16 apparent authority, it's irrelevant.
- 17 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I agree to the extent
- that Employer's 516 is being offered to prove agency
- 19 status. It's not relevant.
- 20 MR. LARKIN: Well, it's being offered in
- 21 support of Objection 17, regardless of who Mitch is.
- MR. MILNER: I object again, then, because
- 23 it clearly does not -- it doesn't go towards Objection
- 24 17 at all. Objection 17 is that the Petitioner
- 25 unlawfully pulled employee support, engaged in unlawful

- 1 interrogation, and created the impression of
- 2 surveillance during the critical period. Simply asking
- 3 someone, can I count on you to vote yes? It's certainly
- 4 far away from unlawful polling by any objective
- 5 standard. It's certainly not interrogation, and I don't
- 6 know how a text message to someone that you can reply
- 7 stop to if you don't want to receive them anymore could
- 8 possibly create the impression of surveillance.
- 9 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis, as to
- 10 Objection 17, any objection?
- 11 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: RD rep will not take
- 12 position regarding Objection 17.
- 13 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, so the
- 14 portion of 516, at least the page that we're seeing, the
- 15 very top message, so am I correct that you're relying on
- 16 the "Can I count on you to vote yes?" Portion as
- 17 relevant to Objection 17.
- 18 MR. LARKIN: Yes. We believe this message,
- 19 in conjunction with other evidence that's been elicited
- 20 during the hearing, is probative of Objection 17,
- 21 particularly in light of Mr. Spencer's testimony that
- 22 this message was sent to everyone on the Excelsior list.
- 23 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. I will admit
- 24 Employer 516 noting the relevant objection from both
- counsel. Bot as to 8 and as relevant to Objection 17.

- 1 (Employer's Exhibit 516 received)
- 2 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 3 Q. Okay. We can take that down. Mr. Spence, is it
- 4 true that another method that the Union used to
- 5 communicate with the bargaining unit was through the
- 6 distribution of flyers?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Who generated the content that went on to the
- 9 Union's flyers?
- 10 A. For the most part --
- 11 MR. MILNER: I'm going to object. I don't
- 12 know. Again, are we asking who generated the content?
- 13 Are we asking who approved the content? Because I'm not
- 14 sure. Where are we going with this again.
- MR. LARKIN: Well, we can ask -- I mean, I
- 16 certainly can rephrase, and I think what I intended to
- 17 get to here is who would approve the content that was
- 18 ultimately distributed via ALU flyers.
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Spence, go ahead.
- 20 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 21 A. Okay. Essentially, it was approved by the
- 22 executive board.
- Q. Okay. I want to show you a couple of documents
- 24 and ask you a few questions about them. Can we put up
- 25 2921, please? Actually, well, I don't know if I'm going

- 1 to put these up in order, but that's fine. We'll take
- 2 them as they come. 2921. Mr. Spence, 2921 is actually a
- 3 front and back document. So I'm showing you page 1, and
- 4 that's page 2. And I'll represent this is a document
- 5 that you produced to us last night. Do you recognize
- 6 2921?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And what is it?
- 9 A. It's a quarter sheet flyer or leaflet that we
- 10 would hand out to workers during the campaign period.
- 11 Q. All right.
- 12 A. It was the one we handed out two days before the
- 13 polling started.
- Q. Okay. And that's why I said I was going out of
- 15 order, because they're going to be other ones that were
- 16 chronologically, I believe, earlier. But in any case, I
- 17 would offer 2921 at this time.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Any objection, Mr.
- 19 Milner?
- MR. MILNER: Relevance.
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: And Ms. Weis?
- 22 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: I don't have an issue
- 23 with the substance of the flyer, but I don't see how
- 24 it's relevant to any of the Objections.
- 25 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I'm inclined to agree.

- 1 Mr. Larkin.
- 2 MR. LARKIN: Well, I'm not going to ask the
- 3 witness any other questions about it, so I suppose that
- 4 I suppose that we can just go ahead and do this. But the
- 5 flyer states you can vote anytime the polls are open,
- 6 even during your shift. That is relevant to Objections,
- 7 I believe. 6 and 7, there has been testimony elicited
- 8 and attempted to be elicited about Amazon's
- 9 communications with employees regarding the release
- 10 schedule and voting times. And so that testimony was
- 11 admitted over our Objections, I would add. And so I
- 12 believe that the fact that the Union was communicating
- 13 similarly to associates is at minimum. If testimony
- 14 about Amazon's communications regarding voting times is
- 15 admissible, then testimony and evidence from the Union
- 16 regarding any of its communications about the same
- 17 subject should be admissible.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay, one at a time.
- 19 We'll start with Mr. Milner, please.
- MR. MILNER: Your Honor, the release
- 21 schedule, the testimony about that, that has to do with
- 22 Objection 6, because it is Amazon that came up
- 23 essentially with the form of release schedule that we
- 24 all agreed to, necessarily because Amazon -- it's
- 25 Amazon's plant or facility and they make the schedules

- 1 and they would be in the best position to create the
- 2 release schedule. And we all went along with it. And
- 3 then it turned out that the way the release schedule was
- 4 created arguably created lines, especially on the first
- 5 day of voting. However, here, the fact that there is a
- 6 flyer that just contains true information is completely
- 7 different from the circumstance Mr. Larkin is speaking
- 8 about. The fact that you can vote anytime the polls is
- 9 open is true. So that is relevant to nothing. The fact
- 10 that Amazon may have gone out of their way to create a
- 11 release schedule in which people were released multiple
- 12 nights and then the managers encouraged everyone to go
- 13 vote all at the same time is relevant. That's the
- 14 difference here, Your Honor. And that is why this
- 15 document is irrelevant.
- 16 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. And Ms. Weis,
- 17 go ahead.
- 18 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: My issue, now that Mr.
- 19 Larkin has explained himself as to why he plans to use
- 20 exhibit 2921, I do object because when he's talking
- 21 about Objection 6 and 7, that goes directly in squarely
- 22 and solely to the function of the NLRB and how it ran
- 23 the election. So there is no relevance and no connection
- 24 as to how and what the Union may have put together in a
- 25 flyer.

- 1 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. I agree that
- 2 2921 is not relevant with respect to Objections six and
- 3 Seven pertaining to the Region's alleged actions. And in
- 4 particular, Objection 6 is about the region's staffing
- 5 and equipment. And objection seven is about alleged
- 6 turning away voters and telling voters are only being
- 7 allowed to vote in alphabetical order. 2921 is not
- 8 relevant. It's rejected.
- 9 MR. LARKIN: So on that basis, I'd like to
- 10 ask the Hearing Officer to revisit and strike the
- 11 testimony that has been elicited to this point in the
- 12 hearing about the release schedule and testimony
- 13 regarding the release of voters to vote in the election.
- 14 If, as Ms. Weis contends, that is irrelevant to
- 15 Objection 6, the testimony should never have been
- 16 elicited over our Objection, it should be struck and it
- 17 should not be considered by the Hearing Officer in
- 18 making her ruling.
- 19 MR. MILNER: Your Honor, that testimony, as
- 20 I just explained, was offered for a wholly different
- 21 reason.
- 22 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. And the reason
- 23 that Mr. Milner gave is the reason why I received it.
- 24 Because if the question is what caused the lines, that
- 25 testimony is relevant to that.

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1 MR. LARKIN: Right. And that is exactly why
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- 2 I am offering this exhibit. What caused the lines? And
- 3 so it could be more than one thing. We obviously contend
- 4 that it was the NLRB's mismanagement of the election.
- 5 Testimony has been elicited since then, that somehow it
- 6 was Amazon's responsibility, this flyer and this
- 7 statement true -- Or whether it states a fact, whether
- 8 it states the truth or not, is irrelevant. We contend --
- 9 suggest that perhaps to the extent the Union was
- 10 communicating a very similar message to the company as
- 11 to releasing and when employees can vote, that it is at
- 12 least more possible than not. Rule 401. We have trouble
- 13 with that rule in this case. But under Rule 401, it is
- 14 more possible that it is at least possible that this
- 15 communication also had something to do with it.
- So if we are going to accept evidence that
- 17 suggests that Amazon played some role in the creation of
- 18 the lines, then it is beyond inequitable to not take
- 19 evidence that perhaps the Union was also complicit in
- 20 that result. And I would add that everyone agreed to the
- 21 release schedule. So if this is evidence of nothing, the
- 22 release schedule is likewise evidence of nothing.
- 23 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. Obviously, Mr.
- 24 Lark, in the comments you just made, elicited the need
- 25 for both counsel to weigh in again. Mr. Milner, go

- 1 ahead.
- 2 MR. MILNER: Your Honor -- Well, first of
- 3 all, I thought you had already ruled on this.
- 4 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I did.
- 5 MR. MILNER: Okay. But the flyer by the
- 6 Union is wholly different than Amazon's manager's
- 7 actions with respect to the release schedule. It's
- 8 apples and oranges. It's that simple.
- 9 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: Thank you, madam.
- 11 Hearing Officer first, and I think it was mistaken. But
- 12 Mr. Larkin attributed some argument that I made
- 13 regarding the release schedule. I've said nothing about
- 14 the release schedule. So I will just reiterate that
- offering this document, employers Exhibit 2921, as. It
- 16 pertains or allegedly pertains to Objection 6 and seven,
- 17 which is regarding the mechanics of how the Board
- 18 handled the election. The Union creating a flyer with
- 19 whatever information it contained and with whatever
- 20 information Amazon may have provided to employees is
- 21 irrelevant, period.
- 22 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: And I've made my
- 23 ruling. The ruling stands.
- 24 MR. LARKIN: So on that basis, we'd ask that
- 25 employers 2921 be placed in the rejected file.

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1 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That's granted.
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- 2 (Employer's Exhibit 2921 received in rejected exhibit
- 3 file).
- 4 MR. LARKIN: We can take that down and put
- 5 up 2918.
- 6 MR. MILNER: I just want to point out again,
- 7 I want to make clear, Mr. Larkin, just put on the record
- 8 before that there seems to be a problem with Rule 401
- 9 being interpreted properly in this forum. I don't
- 10 believe there has been any such issue with the
- 11 interpretation of Rule 401. I don't believe that the
- 12 Hearing Officer should be undermined in that manner.
- 13 MR. LARKIN: Well, we disagree. The rules of
- 14 evidence are applicable so far as practical in Board
- 15 proceedings. Everyone who's ever practiced in Board
- 16 procedure knows that means that the rules are relaxed,
- 17 not tightened. And the vast majority of evidentiary
- 18 rulings that have denied Amazon the ability to introduce
- 19 evidence have been on grounds that, in our judgment,
- 20 represent a tightening of the federal rules of evidence.
- 21 Things that would be admissible in federal district
- 22 court have been deemed inadmissible here. I believe it's
- 23 inappropriate, and I'm noting my objection for the
- 24 record as I'm entitled to do.
- 25 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Well, the record will

- 1 speak for itself.
- 2 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 3 Q. So with that, I put up 2918. And I would ask Mr.
- 4 Spence to verify that this was another flyer that he
- 5 produced to us. Page 2 has the same statement regarding
- 6 the polls. We would offer it for the same reason.
- 7 MR. MILNER: I object for the same reason.
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- 9 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: If it's meant to speak
- 10 toward objections six and seven, I object for the same
- 11 reasons that I've objected to previously.
- 12 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: And I will grant both
- 13 Petitioner and the RD rep a standing objection on those
- 14 bases that they stated with respect to 2921. I make the
- 15 same ruling with respect to 2918. It is rejected.
- MR. LARKIN: Okay. Yes. Can we please have
- 17 -- we would ask the 2918 be placed in the rejected
- 18 exhibit file.
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That's granted.
- 20 (Employer's Exhibit 2918 received in rejected exhibits
- 21 file)
- 22 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Mr. Spence, I'm going to ask you about a couple
- of more of these. Can we do 2914, please? Mr. Spence,
- 25 I'll represent this is another flyer that you produced

- 1 to us last night. It's a two-page document, and I'll ask
- 2 you, do you recognize 2914?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. And can you tell us what it is?
- 5 A. It is information that was given out to
- 6 associates informing them of Amazon's manufactured
- 7 arrests of Union organizers.
- 8 Q. Would offer 2914 in support of Objection 16.
- 9 MR. MILNER: Object to the relevance
- 10 objection 16 is that non-employee Petitioner organizers
- 11 repeatedly trespassed on the employer's property. I'm
- 12 not really sure how this flyer goes towards that
- 13 Objection.
- 14 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Oh, sorry, Mr.
- 15 Larkin.
- MR. LARKIN: I was going to say we've had a
- 17 variety of evidence throughout the hearing about the
- 18 Union's communications regarding that event that's been
- 19 admitted. Again, I'm asking Mr. Spence, in his capacity
- 20 as the custodian of the ALU's records about these
- 21 events, which we haven't done to this point.
- 22 MR. MILNER: It doesn't make the document
- 23 itself relevant to these objections.
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- 25 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: Again, we're talking

- 1 about Objection 16, which is not encompassed in one
- 2 through twelve. But in reading the objection, the
- 3 objection speaks to trespass, not about leafletting.
- 4 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin.
- 5 MR. LARKIN: I guess I'd like to make a
- 6 standing objection for the record to the Regional
- 7 Director representative offering objections to evidence
- 8 that does not go to the Board Objections. This has
- 9 happened throughout the hearing, and I'm not quite sure
- 10 why it continues, but I'll make a standing objection on
- 11 that basis.
- MR. MILNER: I don't think there was an
- 13 objection made by her on that basis. She very
- 14 specifically before said she was objecting because it
- 15 was Objection 6 and eight, which go directly to the
- 16 region.
- 17 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: May I respond, madam
- 18 Hearing Officer.
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes, you may, Ms.
- 20 Weis.
- 21 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: So of course, I have
- 22 directly responded and made objections and/or motions
- 23 regarding objections one through twelve, and only when
- 24 asked by you specifically to give an opinion. I am an
- 25 attorney, and so I have couched very carefully that

- 1 while it may not go toward objections one through
- 2 twelve, as an attorney, I give my legal opinion, I did
- 3 not make an official objection. I gave a legal opinion.
- 4 I am an attorney and I have a right to give a legal
- 5 opinion.
- 6 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Right. When an
- 7 exhibit is offered, I ask if either the Petitioner or
- 8 the RD rep has an objection, and that is when you have
- 9 stated your opinion. So the record will reflect that. I
- 10 will receive 2914 and give it the weight that it
- 11 warrants.
- 12 (Employer's Exhibit 2914 received)
- 13 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Let's do 2917. And Mr. Spence, I'll represent
- 15 that this is a document you produced to us last night.
- 16 Do you recognize 2917?
- 17 A. Yeah. Is there another page to this?
- 18 Q. There is not another page.
- 19 A. Okay. Then yes.
- Q. Can you tell us what it is?
- 21 A. So it's an informational flyer detailing which
- 22 unions and social movements have supported the ALU in
- 23 various ways through donations of resources or
- 24 expertise.
- Q. We'd offer 2917 at this time.

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1 MR. MILNER: Objection. Sorry.
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- 2 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I was cutting to the
- 3 chase. Before I asked you, Mr. Milner, what objection
- 4 are we offering 2917 for.
- 5 MR. LARKIN: 18.
- 6 MR. MILNER: Your Honor, either what is
- 7 stated here is true and then it is clearly relevant to
- 8 nothing, or it's a misrepresentation. And according to
- 9 case law from 1982 that has been in effect ever since, a
- 10 misrepresentation is not objectionable. So this document
- 11 is irrelevant.
- MR. LARKIN: Well, the objection I think
- 13 pretty clearly states that the Union asserted at the end
- 14 of the campaign, that they were backed by more
- 15 established unions actively involved in the union's
- 16 campaign providing funding and other services. So I
- 17 think this flyer is directly relevant to that assertion.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- 19 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: I have no objection.
- 20 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Spence, can I ask
- 21 you a question about 2917. Do you know or have an
- 22 estimate regarding when this leaflet was handed out.
- 23 THE WITNESS: It was at some point during
- 24 the campaign period.
- 25 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. But you cannot

- 1 estimate what time period? During the critical period?
- THE WITNESS: I mean, I would reject the
- 3 notion that it was an 11th hour communication. It was
- 4 something that -- it a was messaging that was
- 5 communicated throughout the campaign period and before
- 6 and was formalized in the form of this flyer. The
- 7 contributions that these groups made, their
- 8 contributions from before the critical period and
- 9 during. So it was probably early on in the campaign
- 10 period that we formally started conveying this message.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. I'm going
- 12 to receive 2917.
- 13 (Employer's 2917 received)
- MR. MILNER: Your Honor, I just want to
- 15 point out Make the Road New York is not a labor union,
- 16 and I don't know that the coalition of black trade
- 17 unionists is a Labor Union I'm not 100 percent sure.
- 18 MR. LARKIN: Those are facts that Mr. Milner
- 19 is free to explore with the witness when it's his turn.
- 20 You can take it down, Molly. 2916. Can we put that up?
- 21 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Mr. Spence, this one is a two-pager. I'll
- 23 represent, again, this is a document you produced to us
- 24 yesterday evening. You can see page 2 there. Do you
- 25 recognize exhibit 2916?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And can you tell us what it is?
- 3 A. Well, in response to the company's repeated
- 4 claims that the ALU was an organization with no
- 5 experience, we wanted to assure bargaining unit members
- 6 that despite the fact that the ALU was newly formed, we
- 7 had been receiving donations of advice and expertise and
- 8 other kinds of resources from established unions as an
- 9 act of solidarity.
- 10 Q. I'd offer 2916.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner.
- 12 MR. MILNER: Same objection as the last one.
- 13 It's not relevant to objection 18.
- 14 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: No objection.
- 16 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Same question for
- 17 you, Mr. Spence, that I had before regarding 2917. Any
- 18 idea of the time period in which 2916 was handed out?
- 19 THE WITNESS: Can we go back to the other
- 20 page? So eleven days before the opening of the polls.
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. All right, so I
- 22 will receive 2916. (Employer's Exhibit 2916 received).
- 23 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Is another two-pager, Mr. Spence that you
- 25 produced last night to us. So page 1 and then page 2.

- 1 And so, the question would for you is, do you recognize
- 2 2920?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And can you tell us what 2920 is?
- 5 A. Well, leading up to the campaign period and in
- 6 the early days of the campaign period, we had
- 7 communicated to workers that dues would be
- 8 democratically decided being that we are a newly formed
- 9 organization, there was no established dues rate.
- 10 However, the response that we received from workers is
- 11 that they would prefer a more concrete number to wrap
- 12 their head around. And so, the Workers Committee came
- 13 together and made a proposal that is subject to approval
- 14 after we have a contract of \$5 per week. And this is a
- 15 flyer that is communicating that to potential bargaining
- 16 unit members.
- 17 Q. And do you know when approximately the Union
- 18 would have been handing out 2920?
- 19 A. Quite early on in the campaign period, maybe late
- 20 January, early February.
- 21 Q. Okay. So I would offer 2920 in support of
- 22 Objection 14?
- MR. MILNER: Mr. Milner?
- MR. MILNER: I'm going to object. I don't
- 25 know how this is relevant to anything misleading or

- 1 being confusing. In fact, it says in big capital, bold
- 2 letters, pending voting approval and authorization of
- 3 all members.
- 4 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- 5 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: I don't see the
- 6 relevance, but I don't have an issue with the substance
- 7 of the flyer.
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. I'm going
- 9 to receive 2920.
- 10 (Employer's Exhibit 2920 received)
- 11 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 12 Q. Okay. Let's see. Okay. That one was already
- done. Okay. Can we do 491, please? Okay. Mr. Spence. So
- 14 now I've got up on the page, exhibit 491. It's a
- 15 two-page document. I believe you might have produced
- 16 this one to us. I'm not entirely certain. I think you
- 17 did. But my question to you is, nevertheless, do you
- 18 recognize Exhibit 491?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And can you tell us what that is?
- 21 A. An informational flyer, can we go to the next
- 22 page?
- Q. Go ahead, Molly. To the next page.
- 24 A. An informational flyer that goes to when, after
- 25 winning the election, members could expect to start

- 1 paying dues. And we wanted to communicate that dues
- 2 payments would not start until after a contract had been
- 3 negotiated and the membership had voted to approve that
- 4 contract.
- 5 Q. And would it be fair to say that -- can you go
- 6 back to the first page, molly? It would be fair to say
- 7 that this is a fire that you handed out ten days prior
- 8 to the opening of the polls?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay, offer 491.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner.
- MR. MILNER: Same objection.
- 13 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: No objection.
- 15 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I will receive 491.
- 16 (Employer's Exhibit 491 received)
- 17 MR. LARKIN: Would it be possible to take a
- 18 five minute lavatory break at this point?
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Sure. Off the record.
- 20 Five minutes record.
- 21 (Off the record)
- 22 (On the record)
- 23 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Let's please go back
- on the record. And Mr. Spence, I remind you that you
- 25 remain under oath. Go ahead, Mr. Larkin.

- 1 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Okay. Mr. Spence, it's true that another manner
- 3 by which the ALU tried to communicate with bargaining
- 4 unit employees during the campaign was through social
- 5 media; is that correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. The ALU had a Twitter account, is that right?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Who was responsible for posting content to the
- 10 Twitter -- ALU's Twitter account?
- 11 A. Primarily Brett Daniels, but also I have access,
- 12 and I would tweet from time to time.
- Q. Okay. So I want to just show you a couple of
- 14 documents and ask you some questions about those. Let's
- 15 do -- can we do, Molly, 229? So I'm showing you, Mr.
- 16 Spence, a document that we've marked Employer's Exhibit
- 17 229. I'm focusing on the part up in the very top left of
- 18 the document where it says Amazon Labor Union retweeted.
- 19 Do you see that?
- 20 A. Yeah.
- Q. Do you recognize Exhibit 229?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Can you tell us if this is a tweet from Mr.
- 24 Smalls that the ALU retweeted?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Did The ALU retweet this document on the 25th of
- 2 March 2022?
- 3 A. I'm not sure if it is from the original Tweet or
- 4 from the Retweet.
- 5 Q. Okay. So the retweet would have necessarily
- 6 occurred after the original Tweet?
- 7 A. Yeah.
- 8 Q. All right. So I would offer 229 at this time.
- 9 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner.
- 10 MR. MILNER: You're offering the Tweet and
- 11 the video or I'm not sure what it is that you're --
- MR. LARKIN: Just the tweet. I believe that
- 13 the video is already in evidence.
- MR. MILNER: No objection.
- 15 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms Weis?
- MS. FRIEDHEIM-WEIS: No objection.
- 17 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: 229 is received.
- 18 (Employer's Exhibit 229 received)
- 19 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 20 Q. Okay. Mr. Spence, the ALU also had an Instagram
- 21 page; is that correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. During the campaign period?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And who is responsible for posting content to the

- 1 ALU's Instagram page?
- 2 A. Daniels.
- 3 Q. All right. Can we do 386, please? Do you see
- 4 Employer's Exhibit 386, Mr. Spence?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And do you recognize it?
- 7 A. Not really.
- 8 Q. This is not something you've seen before?
- 9 A. I recognize that it appears to be a post made by
- 10 the Amazon Labor Union Instagram, but I don't know that
- 11 I've seen it before. I don't look at the Instagram that
- 12 often.
- Q. You have any reason to doubt its authenticity?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. And do you know what the photo is that is
- 16 depicted in the post?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Can you tell us what that is?
- 19 A. It's a light projection that occurred, I believe,
- 20 on March 23rd.
- Q. All right. Offer 386.
- 22 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner.
- MR. MILNER: No objection.
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: The witness said he

- 1 doesn't recognize it. He didn't see it before. But if
- 2 the Union doesn't have an objection, then the Rd rep
- 3 won't take a position.
- 4 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right, 386 is
- 5 received.
- 6 (Employer's Exhibit 386 received)
- 7 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 8 Q. I think I want to bring up 2923 Next, please. Mr.
- 9 Spence, you produced a few videos to us last night, and
- 10 I want to ask you about them. This -- I believe, 2923 is
- 11 a screenshot of a video that you produced last night,
- 12 and I'd like to play the video. Molly, do we have the
- 13 video? Okay. So this is 2923-V, which I'll just
- 14 represent is the video that you produced. 2923 was just
- 15 a screen grab of it for identification purposes. Can we
- 16 play this?
- 17 (Video playing).
- 18 Mr. Spence, do you recognize the video in
- 19 exhibit 2923-V.
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. And is that a video that you took?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And when did you do that?
- 24 A. I believe, like I said, it was 23rd. The night of
- 25 the 23rd.

- 1 Q. March 23rd, right, 2022?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And the flashing light up on the side of the
- 4 building, that was a projection of light, and that was
- 5 done by a group called the Illuminator, correct?
- 6 A. I believe so. I had no part in coordinating the
- 7 projection.
- 8 Q. Do you know who did?
- 9 A. That would be Chris Smalls.
- 10 Q. So you created the video in 2923-V. Are you aware
- 11 whether any other of the unions officers -- or well, let
- 12 me try to use the right term here individuals who hold
- 13 formal positions from the Union, are you aware whether
- 14 anyone else besides yourself who holds a formal position
- 15 with the Union took any other video or images of the
- 16 light projection?
- 17 MR. MILNER: I'm going to object both to the
- 18 use of the phrase "formal position with the Union" and
- 19 also to the relevance of the question.
- 20 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, please
- 21 rephrase.
- 22 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Well, let's start with the officers. Any officers
- 24 of the ALU besides yourself, photo or video record the
- 25 light projections that we're looking at here in 2923-V?

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1 MR. MILNER: I still object to the relevance.
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- 2 I don't know what difference it makes if other people
- 3 took videos of the same thing that we already have in
- 4 evidence.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, I'm
- 6 inclined to agree.
- 7 MR. LARKIN: Well, if the answer is yes,
- 8 then it goes, number one, to subpoena compliance, but
- 9 number two, it would be probative to Objection 20 and
- 10 the existence of other relevant evidence.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. I will allow
- 12 the witness to respond to the extent that he knows.
- 13 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 14 A. I don't know, but I will say that I took up the
- 15 task of making the recordings for posterity, so it was
- 16 likely that nobody else saw it necessary to make
- 17 recordings.
- 18 O. Can we offer 2923 and 2923-V?
- 19 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner?
- MR. MILNER: Again, it just appears
- 21 cumulative at this point. I believe these pictures are
- 22 already in -- video is already in the record as another
- 23 exhibit. It's just more of the same thing literally.
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis?
- 25 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: I believe it is in the

- 1 record under another Employer exhibit number, but I
- 2 don't have it handy, so I have no objection.
- 3 MR. MILNER: Again, I know Mr. Larking is
- 4 going to tell me it's an argument for the brief, but
- 5 it's also not a captive audience speech because it
- 6 wasn't and it wasn't within 24 hours of the election in
- 7 any event.
- 8 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, do you
- 9 know if 2923-v is already in the record as a different
- 10 exhibit.
- MR. LARKIN: Well, that's one of the things
- 12 I intend to ask Mr. Spence to try to confirm or not for
- 13 us.
- 14 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Please, Mr. Spence,
- 15 to the extent you know.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Sorry, What is the question.
- MR. LARKIN: Well, I would say that
- 18 regardless of the answer, I'm still going to offer
- 19 2923-V because I think it's sort of the original image
- 20 and it's relevant and probative. But let me just take it
- 21 down for a minute and Molly, let's put 388 up on the
- 22 screen, please. Okay.
- 23 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. So Mr. Spence, 388 is a document that's already
- 25 been admitted. It is an instagram post from Brett

- 1 Daniels. It appears to depict the same event that you
- 2 recorded in 2923-V. The question that I have to you is
- 3 the photo that's in the image here in Employer 388, is
- 4 that an image that you gave to Mr. Daniels or is that an
- 5 image that's from something separate from what you
- 6 recorded that evening?
- 7 A. I'm going to be honest, I don't know because they
- 8 all look so similar. I don't know really, just by
- 9 looking at it, what's mine and what might be somebody
- 10 else's.
- 11 Q. Do you recall whether you provided Mr. Daniels
- 12 with a copy of the video that we just looked at that was
- 13 2923-V?
- 14 A. I don't recall.
- 15 Q. Okay. So we can take this one down. Okay, so I
- 16 would offer 2923 and 2923-V. On the basis of Mr.
- 17 Spence's answers.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right. I will
- 19 receive both 2923 and 2923-V. As in Victor.
- 20 (Employer's Exhibits 2923 and 2923-V received)
- 21 MR. LARKIN: Okay. Can we do 2924, please.
- MR. MILNER: This is clearly going to be
- 23 cumulative. I mean, we literally already went through in
- 24 the tab all of the messages that were put up on the
- 25 facade of the building. The length of time the messages

- 1 were displayed, how they rotated, where it came from. I
- 2 don't know what possible function is served by putting
- 3 pictures of the same messages on the same facade into
- 4 evidence all over again.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, it's
- 6 true. We already have this image of this message already
- 7 in the record.
- 8 MR. LARKIN: Well, this is just a screen
- 9 grab of another video that Mr. Spence produced that I'd
- 10 like him to authenticate.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay.
- 12 MR. MILNER: Your Honor, we don't need more
- 13 video of the same images being reflected on the facade.
- 14 What's the difference? There's already been extensive
- 15 testimony about this, and the testimony is that the same
- 16 messages were repeated over and over again. So unless
- 17 the Employer is planning to elicit testimony different
- 18 than that, I don't know where it is that we're going
- 19 here other than just cluttering the record and wasting
- 20 time.
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I agree except that
- 22 Mr. Spence did testify that he took it upon himself to
- 23 make videos, and that based on that, others did not. And
- 24 so I'm going to allow Mr. Larkin to pursue it based on
- 25 that testimony.

1 MR. MILNER: I just would like a standing

- 2 objection then.
- 3 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That is granted.
- 4 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 5 Q. Okay. So let's pull up 2924-V and let's just
- 6 play it.
- 7 (Video playing)
- 8 So Mr. Spence, do you recognize 2924-V?
- 9 A. Yeah. If you represent to me that that's a video
- 10 I submitted, then I trust you, Kurt, because they all
- 11 look the same.
- 12 Q. Well, I certainly appreciate that. It is a video
- 13 that you produced last night. So my question to you is,
- 14 do you recall recording that video?
- 15 A. Yeah. Well, I recall recording videos at the
- 16 time, and this is one of them.
- 17 Q. All right. I'd offer 2924-V.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner, Same
- 19 objection?
- MR. MILNER: Yes.
- 21 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- 22 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: It's cumulative, but
- 23 if the witness can authenticate it, I don't have an
- 24 objection.
- 25 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes, I'm going to

- 1 receive it based on the testimony of Mr. Spence about
- 2 videos.
- 3 (Employer's Exhibit 2924-V received)
- 4 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 5 Q. Okay. Just a couple more and we'll move on.
- 6 2925. And this is, again, a screen grab, Mr. Spence, of
- 7 a video that you produced to us last night. So that's
- 8 2925-V let's go ahead and just play it.
- 9 (Video playing).
- 10 Okay. Now, do you recognize 2925-V?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And is that another video that you created?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. All right, I'd offer 2925 and 2925 -- V
- 15 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner, Same
- 16 standing Objection?
- MR. MILNER: Yes.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis?
- 19 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: No objection.
- 20 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right, 29 25 and
- 21 29 25 v. As in Victor are received.
- 22 (Employer's Exhibits 2925 and 2925-V received)
- 23 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. Okay. And then one more, 2926. Okay. Mr. Spence,
- 25 this is one more video that you produced to us yesterday

- 1 evening. The screen grab -- 29 26 is the screen grab.
- 2 And 2926v is the video. So can we go ahead and play
- 3 that.
- 4 (Video playing).
- 5 And do you recognize 2926-V?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And is that another video that you created?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. All right. So I would offer 2926 and 2926-V.
- 10 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner, same
- 11 standing objection?
- MR. MILNER: Yes, Your Honor.
- 13 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: All right, Ms. Weis.
- MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: I actually just have a
- 15 voir dire because I think I might have lost my train of
- 16 thought, if I may.
- 17 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes, please.
- 18 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: Mr. Spence., As I
- 19 said, I might have lost my train of thought. These last
- 20 few videos that you were identifying, were these videos
- 21 that you posted on Instagram.
- 22 THE WITNESS: I don't post things to the
- 23 Instagram, so they might have been posted elsewhere and
- then made their way to Instagram. That's all I know.
- MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: Do you know what you

- 1 did with these last two, three, four, five videos that
- 2 you were shown.
- 3 THE WITNESS: I think primarily they were
- 4 compiled to make a TikTok. So if they were posted to
- 5 TikTok, they might have made their way to Instagram or
- 6 Twitter or somewhere else.
- 7 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: None of this goes to
- 8 Objections one through twelve, but hearing what the
- 9 witness just said, I'm not really satisfied that there's
- 10 sufficient foundation for any of them, because I'm not
- 11 sure where they appeared, so I have that concern.
- 12 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay, that's noted. I
- 13 will receive 29 26 and 29 26 v. As in Victor.
- 14 (Employer's Exhibits 2926 and 2926-V received)
- 15 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 16 Q. Mr. Spence did the ALU during the campaign period
- 17 have a TikTok account?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And who was responsible for posting content
- 20 during the campaign period to the TikTok account?
- 21 A. I was.
- 22 Q. Anybody else beside you?
- 23 A. So I had the credentials to log in. There were
- 24 people who were better at editing than I was, who helped
- 25 me put the TikToks together, but I had the final

- 1 approval over the content and what was inevitably
- 2 posted.
- 3 Q. Okay. So I want to ask you about a couple of
- 4 those. Can we do 385? 385 is a slip sheet for the video,
- 5 so let's pull that up.
- 6 (Video playing)
- 7 Do you recognize 385?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Actually, I think we've labeled it 385-V. Just to
- 10 be accurate. For the record, is that a TikTok that you
- 11 posted to the ALU's TikTok account?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you recall when you posted it?
- 14 A. I don't.
- 15 Q. It would have been some time after those events
- 16 were filmed, correct?
- 17 A. Yes. After the March 23rd projection, probably
- 18 shortly thereafter.
- 19 Q. I would move the admission of 385 at this time?
- 20 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner, anything
- 21 beyond your standing objection.
- MR. MILNER: Well, yeah, I mean, it's
- 23 cumulative. I mean, that is clearly just a rehash of the
- 24 other videos we law cut off and edited and put together.
- 25 So we're just now putting the evidence in for a third

- 1 time.
- 2 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.
- 3 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: I can't recall exactly
- 4 if it's the same video as Employer Exhibit 716. I
- 5 believe that was put in or attempted to be put in
- 6 through Brett Daniels. If it is, I would object that
- 7 it's just the same exhibit under a different number. If
- 8 not, I have no objection.
- 9 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, do you
- 10 know, is it the same as 716?
- MR. LARKIN: Let me just check on that.
- 12 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Thanks.
- MR. LARKIN: I don't believe it is. No.
- 14 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Okay. I'm going to
- 15 receive 385 V, as in Victor, consistent with the Mr.
- 16 Spencer's testimony that the videos I received involving
- 17 the projection were used for the purpose of the TikTok.
- 18 (Employer's Exhibit 385-V received)
- 19 BY MR. LARKIN:
- Q. You can take that off, Molly. And I want to do
- 21 something. I'm going to share my screen. So Mr. Spence,
- 22 I'm sharing my screen, and it should be, if I've done it
- 23 right --
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: A picture of a golf
- 25 course?

- 1 MR. LARKIN: No, it shouldn't be that. Let's
- 2 see. Oh, how about that? No? Yes?
- 3 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: -- exhibits I think.
- 4 MR. LARKIN: Yeah. What I'm trying to
- 5 display is the ALU's TikTok page as it currently lives
- 6 out on the internet.
- 7 BY MR. LARKIN:
- 8 Q. All right. Do you see that?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. So I'm going to click on a TikTok post,
- 11 and I'm going to represent that It's the same thing that
- 12 we just saw on exhibit 385 V, and weDon'T need to watch
- 13 it. My only question to you, Mr. Spence, is whether
- 14 seeing the TikTok post that the video of which we've
- 15 entered in the record is 385 V. Does it refresh your
- 16 recollection as to when you posted it?
- 17 A. So I got to move the Zoom stuff out of the way.
- 18 Well, I can see that there's a date on there that says
- 19 March 24th.
- 20 Q. Does that sound accurate as far as when you would
- 21 have posted this video?
- 22 A. Yeah. Like I said, it was after the 23rd.
- 23 Shortly thereafter.
- Q. Okay. And we should have made that part of the
- 25 screen grab, but for whatever reason, we did not. So I

- 1 just wanted to clarify that. All right. There are a few
- 2 more of those of these that I want to ask you about. I
- 3 just want to make sure that they're not already admitted
- 4 or rejected before I do. Yeah, I don't think they are.
- 5 So let's do 716. So for the rest of these, Mr. Spence,
- 6 the way I think we will have set this up is that there
- 7 will be a screen grab that actually shows the entire
- 8 TikTok post and then the video behind it. So I'm showing
- 9 you the screen grab of a TikTok post made to the ALU's
- 10 TikTok account on appears to be March 28th. And then
- 11 there's a video embedded. I'd like to play the video.
- 12 It's 716-V.
- 13 (Video playing)
- So question first, Mr. Spence, do you
- 15 recognize 716 -- And you can take that off the screen.
- 16 A. Yeah.
- 17 Q. Is that a TikTok that you posted on March 28th of
- 18 2022?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And question that I have about it is the
- 21 video that is posted, did you make that video?
- 22 A. I was assisted with making it, but like I said,
- 23 the final authority of posting and determining what the
- 24 content of a video should be is mine.
- Q. Okay. And what date were the various images in

- 1 the video filmed?
- 2 A. That I don't know. It seems to depict us giving
- 3 out food in the break room, which, as you know, we did
- 4 on many occasions. I don't know which one specifically.
- 5 Q. Okay. And also, in the video, it depicted, I
- 6 believe, on the table, the giving out of the ALU
- 7 lanyard. Did you see that?
- 8 A. Yeah.
- 9 Q. When did the Union begin to distribute those
- 10 During the campaign?
- 11 A. Possibly in late February through the end of the
- 12 campaign.
- 13 Q. Okay. So then the events in the video could have
- 14 been filmed anytime between late February and March
- 15 28th?
- 16 A. Yeah.
- 17 Q. Okay. I'd offer 716 at this time.
- 18 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Milner.
- 19 MR. MILNER: I object to the relevance
- 20 unless I missed something in that video. As Mr. Spence
- 21 testified, it doesn't really show anything other than
- 22 workers taking food that it was provided to them for
- 23 free. Which is not an Objection and is not objectionable
- 24 contact under any interpretation of the law.
- 25 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis.

- 1 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: Since Mr. Spence
- 2 either took or formulated the TikTok, I don't have an
- 3 issue with that. My issue would be to redact the faces
- 4 of non officers as they were engaging in Section 7
- 5 rights.
- 6 MR. MILNER: I was going to add that as
- 7 well, but thank you.
- 8 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: Or Section 7 activity,
- 9 I should say.
- 10 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: And Mr. Larkin, I just
- 11 have a question. I know we viewed that video, or at
- 12 least it looks awfully familiar to me. Are you sure that
- is not an exhibit that has already been rejected.
- MR. LARKIN: Yes and yes. We introduced this
- 15 video with Mr. Anthony, and he was unable to say who
- 16 created it, so I didn't offer it at that time.
- 17 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: I see. Okay. And then
- 18 I'm going to allow you to respond to the arguments made
- 19 by both Mr. Milner and Ms. Weis.
- 20 MR. LARKIN: Well, I would just say that
- 21 there are some images in the video that I believe are
- 22 relevant to agency status. I also believe that some of
- 23 the images in the video are relevant to Objection 10.
- 24 Anything further than that we'd have to excuse Mr.
- 25 Spence.

- 1 MR. MILNER: I am particularly curious how
- 2 the video could have anything to do with Objection 10.
- 3 Maybe we should excuse the witness.
- 4 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Spence, if you
- 5 would leave the room. Thank you.
- 6 (Witness leaves videoconference)
- 7 And Mr. Milner, please confirm that he has.
- 8 MR. MILNER: Sure. Yep. Okay.
- 9 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Mr. Larkin, you were
- 10 saying.
- 11 MR. LARKIN: Well, I mean, the video
- 12 corroborates the distribution of the ALU's vote Yes
- 13 Lanyard and that's all? I'm only offering it for that
- 14 purpose. There's been testimony about the presence of
- 15 lanyards in the voting area. And so, this video simply
- 16 corroborates the fact that they were distributed during
- 17 the campaign period.
- 18 MR. MILNER: No one has denied that the ALU
- 19 was distributed. Lanyards this is a non issue.
- 20 MR. LARKIN: I believe Ms. Maldonado denied
- 21 it yesterday.
- 22 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Ms. Weis -- I'm
- 23 sorry, Mr. Milner. Go ahead.
- MR. MILNER: I mean, the record will speak
- 25 for itself, but I do not believe Ms. Maldonado denied

- 1 the Union giving out lanyards during the campaign
- 2 period. I think she denied giving out lanyards during
- 3 the time frame of March 25 to March 30, which she
- 4 mistakenly referred to as the election period.
- 5 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That is my
- 6 recollection of what Ms. Maldonado's testimony was. Ms.
- 7 Weis, go ahead.
- 8 MS. FRIEDHEIM- WEIS: Yeah. That's my
- 9 recollection of Ms. Maldonado's testimony as well. But
- 10 more importantly, up to now, I had had no issue with Mr.
- 11 Spence confirming that he made this TikTok, and I don't
- 12 think it was Mr. Anthony. It doesn't really matter. In
- 13 my notes, it was shown to Mr. Daniels, and since he
- 14 didn't take it, he couldn't confirm it, and Amazon moved
- 15 on. And up to now, I had no issue with it going in, for
- 16 whatever it's worth. But as to Objection 10, the fact
- 17 that ALU had lanyards on a table has nothing to do with
- 18 what the Board did or did not allow during the election.
- 19 The TikTok doesn't show the election, and it's
- 20 completely and wholly irrelevant to anything that
- 21 happened at the election.
- 22 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes, I find that
- 23 Employer 716 is irrelevant to any of the Objections
- 24 before me, including Objection 10.
- 25 MR. LARKIN: All right, so we'd offer it

- 1 into the rejected exhibits file.
- 2 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: And that is granted.
- 3 (Employer's Exhibit 716 received)
- 4 MR. LARKIN: Before we bring Mr. Spence back,
- 5 I would proffer 719, which is another TikTok that I'd
- 6 ask him to authenticate. Can we pull that up, and then
- 7 can we play the video.
- 8 (Video playing)
- 9 MR. MILNER: My objections are the same to
- 10 this video.
- 11 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Yes. And I think
- 12 that I would make the same ruling as I just made with
- 13 716 reject on the basis of relevance.
- MR. LARKIN: Okay. I just wanted to confirm
- 15 something very quickly. Okay, so we would offer that 719
- 16 719 V into the rejected file.
- 17 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: That's granted.
- 18 (Employer's Exhibits 719 and 719-v received in rejected
- 19 exhibits file)
- 20 MR. LARKIN: Okay. And I think we can bring
- 21 him back.
- MR. MILNER: Think he might be in the
- 23 restroom. Let me check.
- 24 HEARING OFFICER DUNN: Let's briefly go off
- 25 the record while Mr. Milner checks.

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